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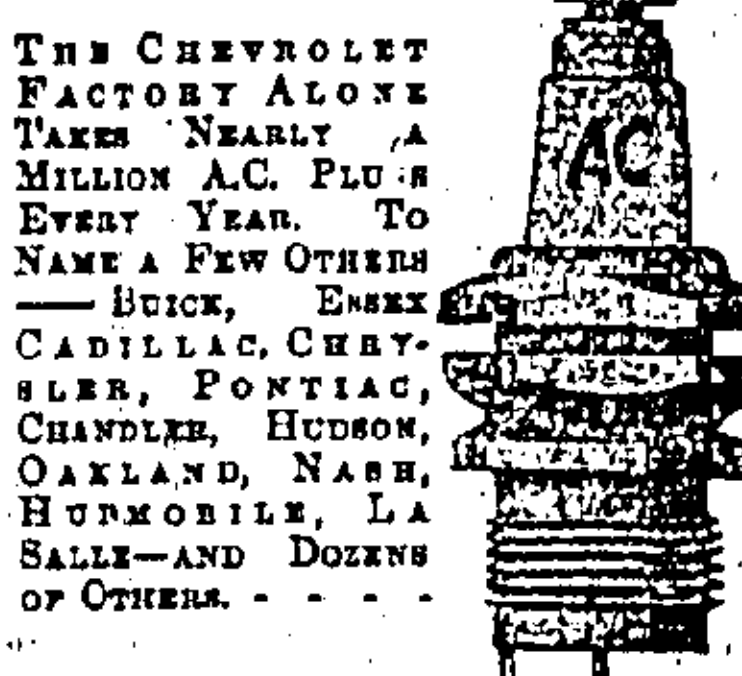
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"DON'TS" FOR THE MOTORIST.

DANGEROUS HILLS.

Don't follow too closely behind
preceding traffic. Never mind if
the fool behind does "cut in" and
takes your place. The road will
clear presently.

Don't cut the corner at a right-
hand bend. True, this rule is often
safely ignored when the way is seen
to be clear right ahead, but the
practice of always rounding on
your left becomes automatic, and is
worth cultivating.

Always sound your horn at
corners if they are in the least
obscure, even if you are cornering
by the left.

There is no need to remind
motorists to observe the white line
—that is the best observed thing on
the roads. Whoever suggested it
has prevented hundreds of smashes.
Don't be tempted to neglect it in
any circumstance.

Keep all the signals religiously,
and signal in good time. Drivers
who, meaning to turn right, pull
out, and then, as an afterthought,
push forth the right hand, have
caused a large percentage of road
troubles.

The man overtaking has gained
the impression, no signal having
been given, that the fellow ahead
is a novice, and probably accel-
erates, bearing well over to his right
to pass as soon as possible. Then
out goes the hand—too late. No. 1
is for it; No. 2 is for it; and any
driver emerging from the right-
hand road, although on his proper
side, is for it, too.

Tourists who are going to hilly
districts need special caution.
Change down before starting the
descent of any doubtful hill. You
will need to be a trick performer
to do it afterwards, when your car
is running away with you. Warn-
ings to change down are often ex-
hibited at the top of dangerous
hills. Obey them at once.

Don't, in any case, shut off your
engine for a descent. The engine is
the best of brakes in itself. Even
in top gear, with the brakes on, and
the throttle closed right down, your
engine is a great accessory to
safety. In second or low gear any
hill in the country can be tackled.

MOTOR NOTES

NO SPEED LIMIT FOR CARS.

ROYAL COMMISSION'S
REPORT.

Important recommendations will
be put forward in an interim
report of the Royal Commission on
Transport which will be presented
to the Government shortly. The
chairman is Sir Arthur Griffith
Boscawen.

The commission will, it is under-
stood, recommend the abolition of
the speed limit for private motor-
cars, and that it should be mod-
ified in respect of public vehicles
such as coaches and charabancs.

As a substitute for the speed
limit the commission will urge that
it should be competent for the po-
lice to proceed on a charge of driv-
ing to the public danger, the com-
mission recognising that compara-
tively slow speeds are in certain
circumstances dangerous to the
public. They will also suggest
that penalties for dangerous driv-
ing should be heavily increased.

Their main report, which will
deal with wider aspects of trans-
port, including canals, coastwise
traffic, docks, and railways, will,
it is expected, be available early
in the New Year.

If the Government adopt the re-
commendations they will embody
them later in a Road Transport
Bill.

FIVE TONS ON 1 IN 2 GRADIENT.

In order to demonstrate the value
of the Guy six-wheeled vehicle in
the country where roads are of a
primitive nature or are actually
non-existent, a 5-ton vehicle with
a full load was recently driven up
one of the most severe hills in
Shropshire, where in places the
gradient was as much as 1 in 2.

The Guy vehicle was the first to
accomplish such a strenuous feat.

LARGEST MOTORISTS' ORGANISATION.

The membership of the British
Automobile Association has passed
the 400,000 mark. New members
are joining at the rate of over 2,000
per week, and the present season
will undoubtedly be marked by a
considerable expansion of British
motorism.

Every A.A. member is a direct
subscriber, the Association having
no affiliation arrangements with any
other bodies. It is the largest
organisation of motorists in the
world.

SMALL CARS POPULAR.

The increasing popularity of the
British small car is proved by
figures announced by the Singer
Company recently. These show
that in the first nine months of the
present financial year the output
of Singer Juniors was just 60 per
cent. greater than that during the
corresponding period a year ago.

SYSTEM THAT LIGHTS LONDON'S BUSES

MODERN ELECTRICAL
EQUIPMENT.

DEVELOPMENT OF ROAD
TRANSPORT.

The immense strides made in the
last few years in road transport
both for passengers and goods
has revolutionised the commercial
vehicle world. Particularly in the
conveyance of passengers is the dif-
ference most marked, for where a
hundred were carried a few years
ago thousands now use this form of
travel, and whilst distances were
then very limited, it is now possible
to traverse the country in any direc-
tion by luxurious motor bus or
coach.

With the growth of the industry
and the increase in size of vehicles,
has come a marked change in elec-
tric lighting equipment. Whereas
the three brush or constant cur-
rent system was found to give fair
satisfaction it became more and
more apparent that its success
largely depended on the human
element.

It was so fatally easy to over-
charge the battery or conversely
to discharge it to such an extent
that it was impossible to maintain
the lights at constant brilliancy.
Happily, these troubles are now a
thing of the past, for the C.A.V.
compensated voltage control light-
ing system, introduced by Messrs.
C.A. Vandervell & Co., Ltd., works
on an entirely different principle,
gives constant and ample illu-
mination for buses and coaches of
all sizes without the need of know-
ledge or supervision on the part of
the driver.

The Dynamo.

The dynamo used is a simple
straight forward shunt wound
machine without the complication
of third brush or any other form
of internal voltage or output con-
trol. Nevertheless, the voltage is
controlled so precisely by automatic
and infinite variation of the field
coil resistance that the dynamo
generates the exact amount of cur-
rent required to feed any lamps
that are switched on and to pro-
vide just sufficient current to charge
the battery.

This means that the output of
the dynamo is constantly varying,
for, as the battery voltage gradually
rises so does the output of the
dynamo just as gradually decrease.
Making a comparison at this point
it will be seen that on one occasion
when a constant current dynamo
would be pouring its full output into
a fully charged battery, creating
excessive gassing, overcharging and
rapid evaporation of the electrolyte,
the C.A.V. compensated voltage
dynamo would merely be giving a
matter of two or three amperes.
That this system is efficient and
economical is proved by the fact
that it has been adopted by the
majority of the leading British com-
mercial vehicle chassis manufactur-
ers, and in addition is the standard
equipment used by all the large
business undertakings throughout
Great Britain.

Owing to the widely differing
characteristics of the lead acid bat-
tery as compared with the alkaline
battery, we may mention here that
the C.A.V. compensated voltage
control system is applicable to both,
the only difference being in the
voltage regulator, which is fitted
with a compensating winding to suit
the class of battery being used.

The Alkaline Battery.

Realising the tendency in the
motor bus industry to favour the
alkaline battery, Messrs. C. A.
Vandervell & Co., Ltd., carried
out extensive experiments in their
laboratories with alkaline cells, and
in view of the results obtained, pro-
duced in conjunction with the man-
ufacturers of the well-known N.I.F.E.
battery, one which they claim to
have higher all-round efficiency both
on charge and discharge than any
other make of alkaline battery on
the market.

Rapid developments have recently
been made with the C.A.V. Ni-Fe
battery, which is capable of giving
a higher rate of discharge than that
of any other alkaline battery of
well-known make, taking into ac-
count weight, bulk and maintained
voltage. This result is due to the
composition and construction of the
plates, which have been subjected
to consistent experimenting for
some considerable time. The reduc-
tion of weight and bulk for a given
capacity has not been made at the
expense of durability.

In view of the present tendency
to use self starters on bus chassis
it is interesting to note that the
development of the C.A.V. self-
starter and the C.A.V. Ni-Fe bat-
tery has been handled as a single

problem, so that the utmost advan-
tage be taken of the characteristics
of this battery. It is found that
the characteristics of the starter are
well adapted to commercial vehicle
requirements, and the machines are
durable and in every way satisfac-
tory.

Apart from the possibilities on
rapid discharges the C.A.V. Ni-Fe
battery can, on the other hand, be
charged effectively at a lower rate
than any other we know of. There
are many alkaline batteries on the
market which are unaffected by
charging rates under about seven or
eight amps., so that quite an appre-
ciable part of the dynamo energy
is wasted.

Extremely Robust.

One of the strongest recommenda-
tions of this class of battery lies in
the fact that it is extremely robust—
the cell cases and the plates are
of steel.

Vibration and hard usage have no
detrimental effect, and depreciation
of the plate elements is so slow that
a very long life is assured. We be-
lieve that it is nothing unusual
to find these still in use after ten
years constant service.

This is a very important factor
to commercial vehicle users, for
hitherto the repair or replacement
of batteries has been a considerable
item in maintenance costs.

The C.A.V. Ni-Fe battery has
practically no self-discharge and will
stand for long periods without loss
of capacity. It is not injured by
either under or over-charging and
produces no corrosive gases. It is
claimed for this battery that, with
its exceptionally long life and low
depreciation, it possesses higher
efficiency than any other make of
alkaline cell.

Another point in favour of the
C.A.V. Ni-Fe battery is that no
technical knowledge is essential,
and in use it is practically fool-proof.
The makers issue very compre-
hensive instructions on the maintenance
of the battery and the preparation
of the electrolyte, which can be
followed by anyone utterly unversed
in such matters.

In use no attention is required
beyond occasional cleaning and re-
plenishment of the small amount of
electrolyte lost by evaporation.

IMPROVED WHIPPET ENGINES.

REDUCE GASOLINE COSTS.

More scientific engineering of
motor and carburetor has made
possible for thousands of owners
sensational saving of gasoline and
other economies in the operation of
the Superior Whippet fours and
sixes, according to reports received
by Willys-Overland dealers.

It has been found, for example,
that the increase of the compres-
sion ratio in the motor has suc-
ceeded not only in neutralizing the
added weight of the car and the
increased tire dimensions, but has
a marked effect on gasoline
economy. Owners who actually
have attempted to accurately check
their gasoline consumption with
the six cylinder models found that
they were able to obtain economies
in excess of 20 miles to the gallon
of gasoline. In fact, the average
economy of a 4,000-mile trip, moun-
tains, detours and rough roads,
was in excess of 18 miles to the
gallon, carrying in this case a full
five-passenger load. Gasoline mil-
age obtained with the four cylin-
dered models was, of course, even
more phenomenal.

The carburetor in both the fours
and sixes also has been completely
re-designed to suit the higher com-
pression of the motor. The
economy results shown by the
Whippets are all the more signifi-
cant when coupled with a higher
top speed and greater pick-up and
other activity in traffic. In tests
conducted by company engineers
with a standard four sedan carry-
ing five passengers, up Cove Mount
the speed of the car was re-
duced to between 10 and 11 miles
an hour at the steepest point of
the grade and yet under these cir-
cumstances the engine fired as
easily as it would at 20 miles per
hour and there was no evidence of
loading or flatness as the engine
speed increased due to the reduc-
tion in the grade.

"THIS HILL IS DANGER- OUS."

Porlock Hill, in Somerset, has
long been notorious in motoring
circles as having one of the steepest
gradients in the West of Eng-
land. The average is 1 in 4.

Not long ago Messrs. Benn &
Sons, of Bristol, arranged for a
demonstration with a Star Flyer,
and selected the redoubtable Porlock
Hill to prove to twenty-six well-
known local coach and omnibus pro-
prietors the ability of this model
to make light of severe gradients of
this nature with a full load of
passengers on board.

WILLYS KNIGHT CARS & TRUCKS.

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MODERN TYRE EXPERI- ENCE.

NEW GOODYEAR METHODS.

Much of the experience that has
gone into the modern automobile
tyre is being used to advantage in
the manufacture of airplane tyres,
the demand for which is rapidly
increasing as governments in many
countries subsidize commercial air
transportation.

The method of production is the
same for both types of tyres, how-
ever, the airplane tyres must be
manufactured strictly in accordance
with government regulations. All
airplane tyres are yet being core-
built but as soon as production
warrants will be changed to the
flat built process.

In an airplane weight is a seri-
ous item. Considering this fact,
the weight of the tread stock used
for airplane tyres is not nearly so
heavy as in automobile tyres, nor
is it necessary for ground contact.
Nevertheless, for a safe take-off
and landing the airplane tyre must
be built, exceptionally strong to
carry the load of the plane and
withstand its speed.

It is generally held to be no exag-
geration that in an airplane the
tyres are second in importance to
the motor.

Puncture proof tubes will short-
ly be included in the airplane line-
up and thereby the grave danger
connected with the failure of the
airplane tyre equipment will be
minimized to a still greater extent.

Similar to automobile tyre, blow-
outs in airplane tyres can be
caused by overload, improper infla-
tion or landing conditions.

The Goodyear Tire and Rubber
Company of Akron, Ohio, U.S.A.,
started making airplane tyres in
1919. At present two principal
types, the Beaded Edge and the
Straight Side airplane tyre are
manufactured in 16 sizes. The lat-
ter is made in either smooth or in
All-Weather Tread.

This array includes the sizes for
airplane tail wheels of swivel action
for use in place of the tail-skid
and where front wheels are equip-
ped with brakes. The tail wheel
tends to increase the ease of
handling the plane and reduces the
cost for the maintenance of the
landing field.

THE IDEAL SPARES LIST.

One of the most exasperating ex-
periences for a motor vehicle opera-
tor is to have delivered to him
incorrect spare parts for a vehicle
which he is urgently requiring on
the road. The usual result of such
an occurrence is a somewhat heated
letter to the manufacturers of the
vehicle, and while in some cases a
mistake may have been made, in
the spare parts department of the
manufacturer, it is often found
that in the original order the part
required was wrongly described, or
some essential detail which would
enable the correct part to be sup-
plied was omitted.

It is, of course, up to the manu-
facturer to issue a spare parts list
which will enable inaccuracies in
ordering to be avoided, and a com-
plete list should embody sufficient
information to enable any part re-
quired to be accurately described,
and if possible referred to by a
number.

Few spare parts lists can be com-
pared with those issued by the
Albion Motor Car Co., Ltd., the
well-known Scottish commercial
vehicle manufacturers. They are
outstanding both for their com-
pleteness and for the ease with
which components can be identified.
This is largely due to the fact that
in addition to clear and concise
description of all parts, the lists
include photographs of most of the
components for which replacements
are likely to be required. The
system of repair standards has been
very thoroughly developed in re-
spect of all Albion models, and re-
ference to the spare parts lists
shows that replacements are avail-
able with special dimensions to take
up various classes of wear. In
addition, where some part of a
chassis has been modified and the
new part is not interchangeable
with the old part, both the old and
new parts are included in the
spare list, and the series number
of the chassis at which the altera-
tion took place is indicated. All
this makes for the very easy and
accurate ordering of spares, and
the greater satisfaction of Albion
users.

AFTER A LITTLE.

The Land of "After a Little"—
a fitting appellation for Kenya,
where humanity suffers from a
universal epidemic of doing things
on the morrow. Where the white
man prefaces most undertakings in
the daily round by a considerable
number of resolutions to make a
start "Baada Kidogo." Where
the Indian will perform necessary
ablations on his person "Baada
Kidogo." Where the native will
do a little work "Baada Kidogo,"
and so on ad infinitum. It is
contagious too. The newcomer
passes the first few months in a
delirium of activity, but it is
interesting to observe the "Baada
Kidogo" organism make its in-
fluence felt in the victim's system
after a bit.

A number of events of note have
recently taken place in Kenya.
Not the least among which has
been the arrival of several Albion
products. The first Albion six-
wheeler in the Colony arrived last
September, and at the time various
representatives of Government De-
partments and the public were
given a spectacular demonstration
of the capabilities of the vehicle
on cross country work. The per-
formance of the vehicle created a
profound impression. Some in-
terest may be attached to the fact
that at the request of Government
House the personal luggage of His
Royal Highness, the Prince of
Wales, was removed from the Sta-
tion to the House on this vehicle,
a most auspicious maiden trip for
the lorry. While dealing with the
Prince's visit in Kenya, it is in-
teresting to note that all the
transport work on the hunting
trip of His Royal Highness was
carried out by Albion lorries only.
For that arduous business three
24-h.p. Albions were chosen from
the Transport Column of the King's
African Rifles, which is composed
of a number of various makes of
vehicle. The variations of running
conditions in Kenya is enormous.
Sitting right on the Equator it is,
of course, subject to intense heat,
but there are places only two
miles north of the Equator where
people are glad of top-coats to
wear at 11 o'clock in the morning.
This is, of course, owing to the
altitude of over ten thousand feet.

These notes are from a letter re-
cently received by the Albion Mo-
tor Car Co., Ltd., of Glasgow,
from a resident in Kenya.

A UNIVERSAL APPEAL.

Albion vehicles are very popular
in Kenya, where their reliability
makes their distance from the
works a matter of small impor-
tance, while local users are well
looked after by Messrs. Gailey &
Roberts of Nairobi.

EXPORTS OF PIERCE-ARROW CARS.

Automobiles in the fine car field
have reached the stage where they
are practically universal in appeal,
in the opinion of Mr. H. S. Welch,
President of the Studebaker Pierce-
Arrow Export Corporation. His
opinion is based on a extensive
survey recently conducted of cars
in the higher priced group in world
markets, which revealed that Pierce-
Arrow is enjoying an era of
popularity overseas similar to that
existing in the United States.

"Exports of Pierce-Arrow motor
cars for the first six months of 1929
were more than double overseas
shipments made during the same
period of 1928," Mr. Welch stated.
"The fact that preference for the
new Pierce-Arrow models in world
markets has kept pace with the
growing demand in the United
States indicates that motor car de-
sign to-day is practically universal.
Since Pierce-Arrow, a pioneer in the
fine car field, has retained distin-
guishing characteristics of design
for more than a quarter of a cen-
tury, it is quite evident that educa-
tion is also playing an important
part in automobile preference."

The pronounced popularity of
Pierce-Arrow overseas has been
paralleled by a still greater demand
in America," Mr. Welch continued.
"During the first six months of
1929 more cars were shipped from
the factory than during the entire
twelve months of 1928. A similarly
healthy condition exists in unfilled
orders. On July 1, this year 1,329
unfilled orders were on hand, while
on the same date in 1928 the factory
had total of 139 unfilled orders."

It goes on and on . . . and on

Have you ever watched water gliding
smoothly and effortlessly beneath a bridge,
never checking, never stopping but going on
and on? That is how an Austin travels.

There is no hesitation, no faltering, as it eats
up mile after mile of the road. You can find
no better companion for long, strenuous
journeys. For its reliability and lasting quali-
ties have helped to make the reputation of
British motor engineering throughout the world.

The Austin is built to give satisfaction not for
a year, or two years, but for as long as you
demand its services. For the man of moderate
means the Austin 7 models are an investment
which cannot be beaten. It will be worth your
while to see one before deciding on your next car.



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Coupe \$1,690
Saloon \$1,690

MOTOR NOTES.

£2,000,000 PLAN TO GROUP SEVEN FIRMS.

STRONG BACKING IN LONDON.

10 AND 20 H.P. CARS: GREAT MASS PRODUCTION PROPOSAL.

I am able to reveal that the next few weeks will decide the fate of a project to form a £2,000,000 group of British motor-car companies embracing firms in London, Coventry and Scotland, writes "Chiltern" in the *Daily News*.

The selected plan has not yet been finally approved, but those still taking part in the discussions are: Rover Company, Coventry. Standard, Coventry. Swift, Coventry. Arrol Johnston, Dumfries. Lancaester, Birmingham. A.C., London, and Bean Cars, Dudley.

The Crossley firm, of Manchester, were deeply concerned with the early talk, but dropped out. Steps to form such a group were taken in January, as reported in *Daily News*, but fell through.

Recently a City of London financier interested approached all the companies, again, suggesting that he would back nine firms, if formed into a single group, and pooling their machinery and resources for producing two types of cars, one a 10 h.p. small machine for the British market, and the other a 20 h.p. suitable for both British and Empire buyers.

The firms originally invited to come into the group were the Rover, Standard, Swift, Arrol Johnston, A.C., Crossley, Lancaester and Bean, and one other, a Coventry firm, making nine in all.

Only the one firm unnamed rejected the invitation: the rest were satisfied with the financial security

of the City offer, and the banker in London was satisfied after examination with the status of the eight companies left in.

There remained the delicate question of group control to be settled. Recently the plan of control was placed before the firms. Crossley could not see their way to agree, and withdrew from the scheme.

Further discussions with the other companies, which also raised objection on the control plan, will be held.

The Standard Co. through special financial arrangements, have negotiated separately all through, though they are part of the big single proposed group.

MOTORISTS' ENTERPRISE.

TO BUILD FERRY OVER THE GREAT BELT.

The Association of Danish Motor Owners is a resolute body. Having complained repeatedly and without result to the Danish State Railways regarding the accommodation and rates for automobiles transported by the State Railways' ferry over the Great Belt, they have now resolved to build a ferry of their own expressly for the transportation of automobiles.

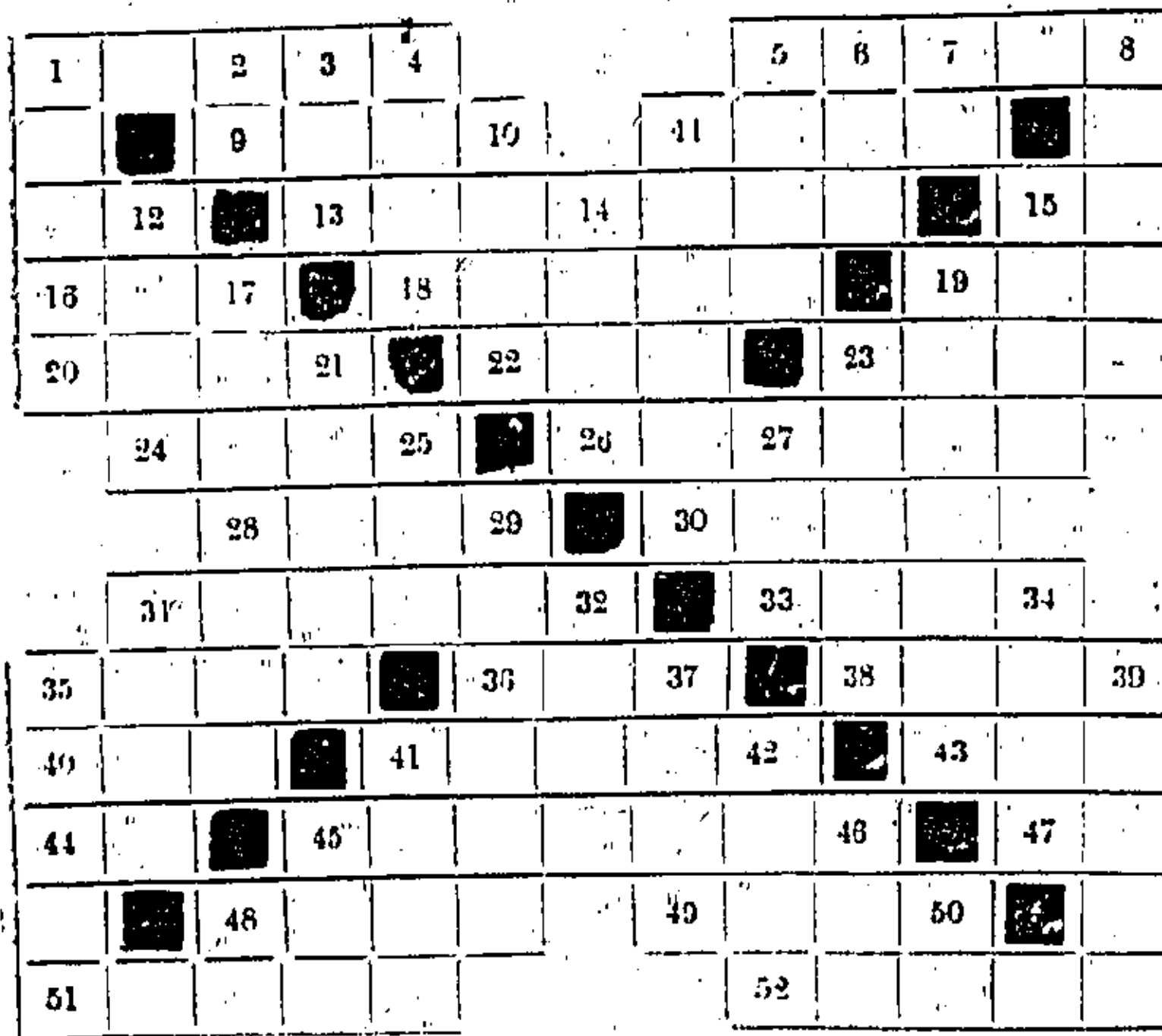
It has hitherto been taken for

granted that the State Railways held a monopoly for such traffic, but when the Ministry of Public Works was approached in the matter they had to admit that this was not the case.

The State Railways have now adopted a conciliatory tone and are willing to promise a reduction in their rates and an improvement in the service, but the motor-owners remain firm and refuse to abandon their project. They state that the necessary capital of 800,000 crowns has already been subscribed, and that the plans have been drawn up, and that they intend to commence construction as soon as possible.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE.

The cross-word puzzle appearing below has been devised by Private R. Brehault, of the Somerset Light Infantry, stationed at Shumshui. The solution will appear in to-morrow's issue.



Across.

- 1.—Banish.
- 5.—Lately.
- 9.—Above.
- 11.—Watering implement.
- 13.—Forward (French).
- 15.—University degree.
- 16.—Finish.
- 18.—Ornamental head-dress.
- 19.—Possessive.
- 20.—Ruffian.
- 22.—Nothing.
- 24.—Midday.
- 26.—Girl's name.
- 28.—Rural deity.
- 30.—Taxed (abbr.).
- 31.—Modern warship.
- 33.—Handy.
- 35.—Depend.
- 36.—Sturdy pony.
- 38.—For two performers.
- 40.—Aged.
- 41.—Book of maps.
- 43.—Boy's name (abbr.).
- 44.—Yes.
- 45.—Green vegetable.
- 47.—Member of Parliament.
- 48.—A surname.
- 49.—Unaccompanied.
- 51.—Complete (abbr.).
- 52.—A gem.

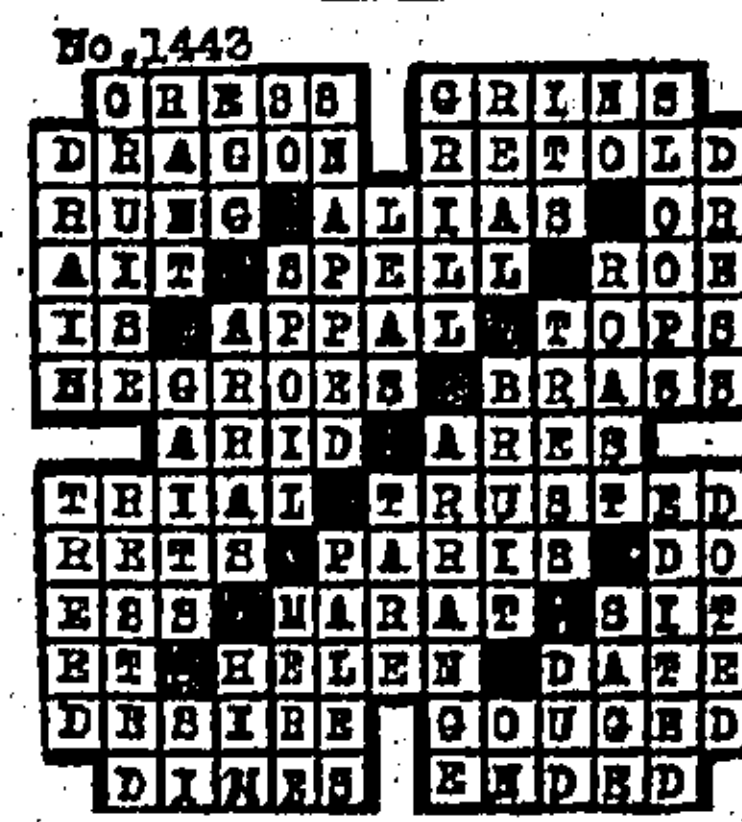
Down.

- 1.—Surpass.
- 2.—Post Office (abbr.).
- 3.—Evening.
- 4.—Season given to fasting.
- 5.—12 down inverted.
- 6.—Established (abbr.).
- 7.—Pronoun.
- 8.—Used in making bread.
- 10.—Drops of moisture.
- 11.—Vagabond (old English).

OLUES.

- 12.—Presently.
- 14.—Conceited.
- 15.—Proclamation of marriage.
- 17.—Twofold.
- 19.—Cautious.
- 21.—Hanger-on.
- 23.—Annoyed.
- 25.—Sister of the Church.
- 27.—Radius (halved).
- 29.—Wine of the Gods.
- 31.—See 33 across.
- 32.—The Centre of an egg.
- 34.—About.
- 35.—To hunt to excess.
- 37.—The cries of sheep.
- 39.—See 52 across.
- 41.—Related to flying.
- 42.—Groove.
- 45.—Add k for one of the Channel Islands.
- 48.—Part of clove.
- 49.—Commanding Officer (abbr.).
- 50.—2 down (inverted).

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



DIFFICULT DECISIONS

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



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THE ISIS SIX.

NEW MORRIS PRODUCTION.

DESIGNED FOR WORLD-WIDE USE.

There is always a glamour about any new model produced by the great Cowley firm of Morris Motors (1928), Ltd., and its wide ramifications in the way of subsidiary companies. How great are these outlying forts of the main Morris citadel is a point sometimes lost sight of.

In Coventry there are large bodyworks and the immense Morris engine plant, probably the greatest in the Old World solely devoted to the manufacture of engines; at the other end of Oxford lies the radiator plant, and there is in close proximity to the Cowley erecting factory the huge pressed steel works wherein the new Isis model has the majority of its chassis and body parts stamped out.

Everyone who takes an intelligent interest in British motoring and in the welfare of the trade and commerce of this country is aware of the vast markets awaiting our motor cars in the far-flung outposts of the Empire, always provided that the right car at the right price is available. Plenty of power, simplicity, rigidity, ample ground clearance—above all, a car easy to "service"—are, perhaps, the main requirements, but it is also necessary to succeed for the manufacturer to know intimately the mentality of overseas buyers.

About a year ago Sir William Morris made a world tour in order to familiarise himself at first hand with what exactly buyers required and expected. The result of this tour is the Isis Six, and it is difficult to see any valid reason why this car should not achieve, the world over, fame equal to that enjoyed in Great Britain by the other Morris models.

Full-Sized Car.

The Isis is, in fact, a full-sized car built to carry five adults and large quantities of luggage in perfect comfort and safety, and, if required, at high speeds. It is designed specifically to operate over the roughest country. Beautifully finished inside and out, it has an appearance with which the most apt critic would find it hard to quarrel. Indeed, it is no exaggeration to say that here is a car which causes one instantly to exclaim at first sight, "What a fine-looking job that is!"

The frame itself is built up of a number of steel pressings, the dash is another pressing, the cross members are all pressings, the luggage carrier is a pressing, so are the wings and lamp supports, and so is the body throughout, with the exception, of course, of the upholstery and a portion of the roof. The salient feature of the whole construction is that the complete body drops down over the chassis and is rigidly secured to the latter by means of twenty-five bolts, all easily get-at-able.

In effect, the complete vehicle is a box of rectangular shape, and so rigid is the final construction that if one corner of the frame be jacked up there is, to the eye, no distortion whatever. This means not only a very strong saloon car in relation to its weight, which does not exceed 28 cwt. ready for the road, but a permanently silent car, for the very good reason that there is no possibility of doors warping or pillars distorting, so rigid, compact, and homogeneous is the complete structure.

Now it is permissible to pass to a detailed description of the car. It is usual to commence with a description of the engine, but in this case it is proposed to follow Sir William Morris' example, to deviate from standard practice, and to describe first of all the frame of the chassis.

Broadly speaking, this consists of two side members, the chief features of which are the inordinate depth of the side channels, the thin gauge of the sheet steel and the small inward flares of the top and bottom of the turned-in portions. The frame, from a point just aft the rear engine mountings to immediately in front of the back seats, is no less than 8 in. in depth.

At the latter point the frame sweeps abruptly upwards to a point immediately under the rear seats, and thence is carried down in a gradual taper to the rear. Front and back extremities are finished off with integral abutments for the buffers. The frame is 27 in. wide at the front and does not commence to flare out till a point behind the back mountings for the engine, thus providing for a very wide steering lock. There the frame sweeps out till it is finally 48 in. wide under the main portion of the body floor, and it maintains this width right to the back. Thus, there is no overhang whatever of the body at the sides, the back wings are attached direct to the frame, and the springs are close to the ends of the back axle.

A Really Good Car.

In addition to a strong tubular cross member between the front dumb irons there are four massive pressed steel cross members, while the four-point attachment of the engine tends to provide extra stiffening to the front, and the mounting of the 15-gallon pressed steel petrol tank at the rear makes, in effect, another extremely strong cross member.

All round the inner edges of the side member flares and the outer edges of the cross members are small additional pressings riveted and welded to the main frame and the cross pieces. These minor pressings are used to carry the floorboards, which are screwed down into threaded eyelets provided in these smaller pressings, so that any possibility of distortion or rattle from the floorboards themselves is eliminated. Screwed-down floorboards are anathema to some critics, and admittedly they take more time to remove than those merely kept in position by a swivelling piece of metal or, perhaps, just nothing at all. But the screwed-down floorboard is, even in this year of grace, the only silent type of floorboard, and silence in all conditions is one of the great points about the new Isis Six.

The running boards are attached direct to the lower edges of the frame, and a particularly pleasant touch is provided by these boards being covered entirely with black moulded rubber mats, specially made for the purpose by the Dunlop Rubber Co., Ltd., and having moulded upon them the words "Isis Six." The effect is extremely smart, the running boards appearing to be covered with a continuous high-grade black rubber step mat. This is a most pleasing change from the usual aluminium sheet or cheap rubber covering.

Equipment is on the lavish and complete scale associated with the Morris products, and includes a speedometer with trip, clock, oil gauge, ammeter, coil ignition, radiator light, dipping Lucas B-flex head lamps, indirect instrument illumination, electric windscreen wiper, electric horn, internal driving mirror adjustable for angle, a thoroughly good and complete tool kit, constant-reading petrol gauge on the instrument board, high-pressure chassis lubrication gun,

Calometer with wing mounting, double buffers, large luggage grid and stop light.

All is there that any reasonable being can possibly want, in fact, and just those details which make so pleasurable the use of a good car.

BRITISH VEHICLES IN AUSTRALIA.

Probably one of the most popular British vehicles in Australia is the Albion, which is of course manufactured in Glasgow, the home of engineering. Albions are seen in considerable numbers throughout Australia, and have built up for themselves a magnificent reputation for reliability under arduous conditions. Naturally, the excellent results obtained lead to repeat orders, and it is interesting to note that Messrs. Nestle & Anglo-Swiss Milk Co. are adding to their fleet two four-ton Overtype Albions. These Overtype vehicles have considerable advantages for operating in congested areas or narrow loading bays, as they can turn in a 45-ft. circle owing to their short wheelbase, but nevertheless carry bodies up to 14 ft. 9 in. long. Accessibility is a special feature. Other Australian orders for Albion vehicles include a repeat order from the New South Wales Government Railway for a two-ton chassis, and an order from the Sydney Metropolitan Water Sewerage and Drainage Board for one of the latest high speed 30-cwt. models, which are specially designed for work Overseas, and which have a particularly high ground clearance and standard track. Albion vehicles are, of course, one of the best known British vehicles on the market.

BOGUS "HOLD UP" AT A BANK.

TWO PLOTTERS SENT TO PRISON.

The bogus "hold-up" at a Glasgow bank had a sequel at Derby Quarter Sessions when Arnold Baldwin Whiteley, aged thirty-three, bank cashier, pleaded guilty, as a servant of Lloyds Bank, Glasgow, to stealing £2,718, and Henry Farrar, aged thirty-five, a secretary, pleaded guilty to counselling, procuring, or commanding the offence.

Whiteley was sentenced to eight months in the second division, and Farrar to two months in the second division.

Mr. Willing, prosecuting, explained that a policeman on duty heard an alarm bell ring in Lloyds Bank. He went into the bank and found Whiteley lying on the floor with his arms and legs tied, and with a gag over his mouth.

He was brought round by artificial respiration, and gave a statement in detail. He said that during the absence of the manager and clerks a man came in, took him by the tie, put his knees in his stomach, bound him, and put a gag over his mouth. He said that a liquid was then poured over the gag.

Whiteley made a completely different statement the next day, and confessed that the robbery was a hoax. He explained that he and Farrar had lost heavily in gambles on cotton futures. The actual amount of money taken was on that occasion £1,918 and, apart from that, £800 which Whiteley had previously abstracted from the till. The bank had now recovered the whole amount of the former sum with the exception of £7.

THE HEART OF A NATION with GEORGE SIDNEY and PATSY RUTH MILLER AT THE QUEEN'S FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

The Emden AT THE WORLD FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY CONTINUOUS PERFORMANCE DAILY FROM 1.15 JOHN GILBERT IN MAN, WOMAN and SIN AT THE STAR FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY At 5.30 & 9.20.

BY MAIL, WIRE, AND WIRELESS.

Frankfurt-on-the-Main.—Jerusalem or a city in India has been decided upon as the seat of the next World Peace Conference at a meeting of its executive committee held here. The Conference is to take place in 1931. The proposal by the German delegate to choose Berlin was turned down. The near future will see the definite decision made as to where the Conference will actually meet.

Raleigh, N.C.—Diseases peculiar to crops grown in the south will be studied here by plant scientists in a three-day conference.

Washington.—Scientific research of the Department of Agriculture, according to Dr. A. F. Woods, director of scientific work, is yielding a 50,000 per cent. return on all money spent.

Canberra.—Mr. Abbot, the Australian Minister for Home Affairs, has left Canberra on a 4,500 miles flight of inspection in Northern and Central Australia.

Venice.—Prizes worth more than £3,000 have been offered for works of art inspired by Fascist ideals to be awarded at the 17th International Art Exhibition in Venice next year.

Canberra.—The Australian Government has rejected a request by the State for an increase in the duty on petrol of 4d. a gallon, in order to raise the money to build and maintain roads.

St. Calais.—The sister of Cardinal Dubois, Archbishop of Paris, Mme. Butte, aged 61, while out walking near her home at St. Calais (Sarthe) accidentally fell into a stream and was drowned.

Paris.—A commemorative tablet to Heinrich Heine was unveiled on the house in the Avenue Matignon, Paris, where he died in 1856. Heine went to live in Paris after the July revolution of 1830.

Minnesota.—Henry Virkula, a restaurant keeper, was shot dead in his motor-car at International Falls, Minnesota, by a member of the Customs patrol organised to stop liquor smuggling across the Canadian frontier. No liquor was found in the car. The patrol man has been arrested.

Madrid.—During his stay in Madrid, Count Bethlen, the Hungarian Prime Minister, concluded a treaty of friendship, mediation, and arbitration with Spain, similar to those existing between Hungary and other States, including Poland and the United States. The treaty was signed in Madrid.

Dunedin.—Mr. Wilford, the New Zealand Minister of Defence, who is inspecting possible aerodrome sites in various districts in the Dominion, said that, although the country could not afford to develop an ambitious scheme of air defence, it was necessary that the ground work should be laid by providing the air sense, and fostering commercial flying.

Crete.—M. Venizelos, the Greek Prime Minister, is spending a holiday in Crete accompanied by the Ministers of Marine, Communications and the Interior.

Lahore.—It is reported from Lahore that a boat containing more than 100 people was caught in a whirlpool on the Chenab river and capsized. Only 35 of those on board were saved.

STAR THEATRE FORBES RUSSELL COMEDY CO. Farewell Performances Sept. 23rd & 24th. "By Candle Light" "Her Cardboard Lover" Popular Prices: \$3, \$2 & \$1. Booking at MOUTRIE'S and the STAR.

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The French Store Beaconsfield Arcade. Brussels.—Owing to the drought in Belgium and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the water supply in many places has been cut off during certain hours of the day, and the allowance to factories reduced by one quarter. Penarth.—Dr. Ravenhill, of Penarth, South Wales, and the guides, Pierre Cotter of Zinn, and Henri Chevrier, of Evolsen, have made the first ascent of the Matterhorn by the Zmutt ridge this year. The climb took 14 hours. Brussels.—An exhibition of British electioneering posters has just been opened at the Palais Mondial in Brussels. These posters are those used in the recent General Election and were supplied by the headquarters of three great parties.

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ANDREW'S BALL.

PIPE MAJOR MACKIE AS
INSTRUCTOR.

Mr. K. S. Morrison, in the absence of Mr. A. L. Shields, presided at the second Annual General Meeting of the Reel Club held in the City Hall yesterday. Referring to the Club's balance sheet for the past year, he pointed out that, for a club of its size and obligations, the Hong Kong Reel Club was in a highly satisfactory financial position.

A grant of \$200 was made to the Club by the St. Andrew's Society, to defray the cost of doublets and equipment used by the participants in the 32-some reel which the Club staged for the Grand Tattoo. They were very grateful for this gift.

English Members.

The number of English members was ample testimony to the attractions of Highland dancing and it was hoped that many more non-Scottish dancers would join in the near future.

It was regretted that it was not found possible last year to continue with the children's classes but the incoming Committee would review the matter again and investigate the possibility of their revival.

Hong Kong was a place of comings and goings and these fluctuations had reduced the Committee considerably. They had lost their President, Mr. A. L. Shields, and had also lost the able services of their hon. secretary and principal instructor, Mr. R. O. Sutherland whom they hoped would soon return completely restored to health.

In addition, they had lost the hon. treasurer and both instructors.

New Blood.

A month ago, it was highly problematical whether the Club would be able to carry along on its former basis but the speaker had succeeded in enlisting the help of Pipe-Major Mackie who had kindly consented to take over the duties of instructor.

Mr. Mackie would appoint his own assistants as found requisite. The Reel Club could congratulate themselves upon having obtained the services of this highly competent and able instructor.

Messrs. J. Grant and I. H. C. Highet had filled the gaps left by the hon. secretary and hon. treasurer respectively, and deserved a hearty vote of thanks for their work. (Hear, hear.)

The Club would commence its practices for the 1929 season on Monday, September 23, from 5.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. in the Helena May Institute and would continue these meetings until November 25. There would be ten practices in all.

Secretary's Report.

The Secretary report said that 31 members had resigned from the Club and 44 new members had joined. The Club was very much indebted to Mrs. Ralston, Miss Whyte, Messrs. P. D. Wilson, M. A. A. Mackintosh, W. Beveridge, H. V. Parker, T. P. Sanderson, W. L. Alexander, and W. Robertson for the splendid work and keenness they had shown in the interests of the Club on Sub-Committees. It is with regret that they lost such keen supporters of the Club as Major and Mrs. Wolfe-Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Granville Murray, Messrs. G. S. Brown, J. A. Douglas, and J. C. Thomson. In the forthcoming season the Club would also be without the keen support of Messrs. A. L. Shields, R. O. Sutherland, M. A. A. Mackintosh, W. Beveridge, and T. P. Sanderson who have left for Home on leave. Mr. R. O. Sutherland will be especially missed as the originator of the Reel Club and its hon. secretary since its start in 1926.

The accounts were audited by Mr. T. W. Riddell to whom thanks were due.

Election of Officers.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—
President: Mr. K. S. Morrison.
Hon. Secretary: Mr. J. Grant.
Hon. Treasurer: Mr. J. Highet.
Instructor: Pipe-Major Mackie.
Committee:—Mr. A. Stevenson, Mr. G. Duncan, Mr. D. L. McWhirter, Mr. W. Robertson, Mr. H. V. Parker, Pipe-Major Mackie, Miss J. Whyte, and Miss B. Laing.

**SEDITIONOUS PAPERS
SEIZED.**

TWO YOUNG CHINESE
CHARGED.

IDENTITY OF PAPERS QUES-
TIONED BY DEFENCE.

Before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham at Central Magistracy yesterday, two Chinese youths were charged with possession of seditious documents.

Sergeant O'Donnovan prosecuted and the defendants were represented by Mr. A. E. Hall.

Outlining the case, Sergeant O'Donnovan said that on August 31, detectives were posted on special duty outside the Royal Naval Dockyard. At about noon time, just before the men came out from their work, the defendants with others were seen approaching the gates of the yard from the West. One of the two defendants was stopped and searched and a quantity of papers were found on him. Another man, with a rattle basket in his possession, bolted on seeing the detectives. He was chased and caught at a point a little beyond the Naval Terrace. In the course of his flight he threw his rattle basket over the wall of the Terrace and this was later retrieved by a Chinese detective.

Two Chinese detectives gave evidence substantiating Mr. O'Donnovan's opening. One of them in answer to Mr. Hall said that he looked like a student and he had instructions to stop anybody who looked like that!

Mr. Hall (to the detective who retrieved the basket): What is there to stop me suggesting that you put these papers in the basket yourself?

Witness: Do you suggest I put the papers in myself?

Mr. Hall: You were on duty for a specific purpose—Yes, on the instructions of the C.S.P.

At another stage, Mr. Hall asked the witness to read the documents which were termed seditious, but witness found difficulty in doing so. Mr. Hall asked how the witness could say that the documents were seditious and the reply was that the witness had seen a number of similar documents.

Sergeant O'Donnovan said that he sent specimens of the documents seized to the S.C.A. for translation. Answering Mr. Hall, witness said that he did not ask defendants if the documents belonged to them.

The translator at the S.C.A. having given evidence—
Mr. Hall drew attention to the absence of any signature on the translations and suggested that in future the police should get prisoners to initial documents taken from them.

He submitted to His Worship that there was a possibility of the documents having been mixed up and that the documents in Court were not the documents seized on the defendants. The defendants did not know the contents of the documents found in their possession and therefore could not say that the documents in Court were the same as those found in their possession.

His Worship told Mr. Hall that he held that they were the same unless Mr. Hall could call evidence to the contrary, which he was at perfect liberty to do.

Mr. Hall then submitted that there was nothing seditious in the documents and the Court adjourned until this afternoon to give His Worship time to consider the text of the translations.

**INGENUITY OF ARMS
SMUGGLING.**

REWARDED WITH TWO YEARS'
SENTENCE.

Revenue officers who stopped a coolie carrying two innocent bundles of grass suspended on a pole on Monday expected to find dutiable wine or tobacco concealed, but instead of coming upon any liquor, they found a revolver and sixteen rounds of ammunition.

On making the discovery, Chief Preventive Officer Clarke communicated with the Central Police Station, and the man who engaged the coolie to carry the grass was also handed over to the Police authorities.

The employer was brought before Major C. Wilson and Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham (sitting together) at Central Magistracy yesterday and was sentenced to two years' hard labour. His story that he had been the innocent dupe of a friend in Sheung Shui, did not convince the Magistrates. He alleged that he had been approached by a friend to bring the grass to Hong Kong, and not knowing that anything was hidden inside, had consented to do so.

**FILIPINO ON
TRIAL.**

SERIOUS CHARGE AT THE
SESSIONS.

MARRIED WOMAN AS
COMPLAINANT.

The trial of Luis Oliva, Filipino, on a charge of rape and an additional charge of common assault commenced before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

In outlining the case Mr. H. K. Holmes, Crown Solicitor, said that the complainants were employed by a lady in Hong Kong and came to Hong Kong from Manila in April this year. The husband remained in Manila and arrived on July 8.

While the husband was away, the accused entered into some sort of a relationship with the woman as indicated by the charges. Mr. Holmes added that it would be more convenient if he referred to the woman as "Nati."

According to Nati's story, the acquaintance went so far that she yielded to accused's advances, or rather, they may be called persecutions. Nati's mistress had heard that something was going on and had done her best to protect Nati and keep the accused away.

When her husband returned, Nati told him of what had been happening between her and the accused. When she confessed, her husband forgave her. The accused came to know that Nati had made a confession, and he also asked the husband for forgiveness, promising not to give any more trouble.

On July 20, continued Mr. Holmes, the husband and wife were both in a room at 5, King's Terrace, when the accused came in and produced a pocket knife. He caught hold of the husband and pushed him outside the door, which he closed and locked, after which he seized hold of Nati. She would say that she was forced to submit against her will.

About a quarter of an hour later, said Mr. Holmes, the accused left. The husband came in and found his wife in tears and very much upset. The couple went with their mistress, who appeared to have acted very kindly in the case, to the Yau-ma-tei Police Station where a report was made to Sgt. Fitches.

Husband's Evidence.

Martin Frailadone, the husband of the woman, stated in evidence that on his arrival in Hong Kong he found his wife at King's Terrace. She made a confession and witness gave her the same day the accused also came and asked for pardon and promised not to interfere with the woman again.

On July 20, witness continued, he heard a loud knock at the door. He opened the door and saw the accused with a knife in his hand. The accused threatened witness with the knife and told him he would have to comply with his request. Accused then pushed witness out of the room and locked the door. Witness heard his wife shouting from inside. After fifteen minutes accused opened the door and walked away, still carrying the knife and his shirt on his arm. Witness added that his wife then made a statement to him. Her hair was ruffled and she was crying.

Cross-examined by accused, witness said that although there were people living above and below the flat, his shouts were not heard by anyone.

"By the Jury": Why did you not try to get some assistance during the fifteen minutes—I dare not because accused said that if I did he would kill my wife.

Evidence was given by Dr. D. J. Valentine of his examination of the woman at 10 p.m. on July 20. The woman appeared to be upset and had a rapid pulse.

Accused's First Meeting.

Natividad Frailadone, 18 years old, said that she first met the accused on June 15. He followed her one day and they got to talking terms. Accused asked what salary she was getting, and she told him she was receiving \$16 a month.

The next day the accused visited the house. Witness said that the accused visited her several times afterwards while her mistress was out. At first witness did not consent, but the accused threatened to kill her, and then himself.

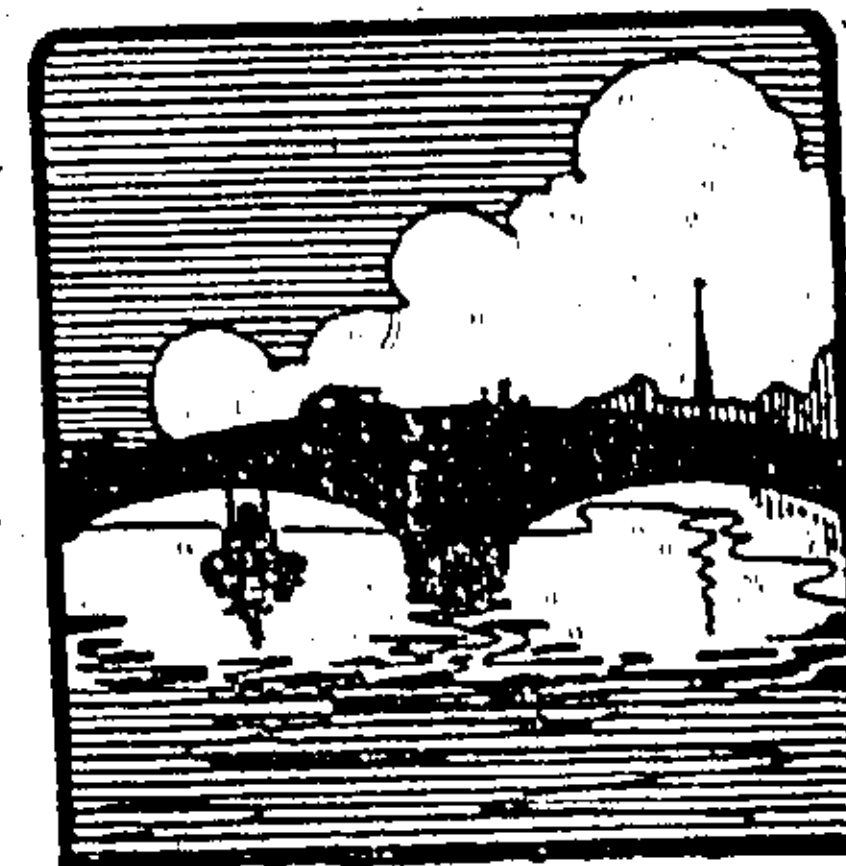
Took Photograph Together.

One day, witness continued, she was out to send a telegram for her mistress when she met the accused. He forced her to have a photograph taken together with him. Witness wrote something on the back of one of the photographs on accused's dictation.

Relating what took place on July 20, witness said that the accused came in at 7.30 p.m. and pushed her husband out of the door. He carried a knife in his hand. The accused later took a pair of scissors and cut off some of her hair.

The Court adjourned at this stage and will resume at 10.30 a.m. to-day.

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YOUTH KILLED IN SCUFFLE
WITH A FRIEND.

A Chinese youth appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of the manslaughter of another youth at the Mongkok Market on August 20.

Detective Inspector Fallon in outlining the case, told his Worship that the defendant and the deceased were employed at the market. It would appear that on the morning of August 19 they began to play about with each other's clogs. After a while the deceased became angry and accused the defendant of taking his wooden clogs. A scuffle ensued and the defendant struck the deceased with a clog. The deceased fell to the ground and appeared to be weak and faint. The other folk lifted him on to a bench and after a while he got up and went to his house in Argyle Street. He came back to the market and spoke to the defendant and later returned to Argyle Street. His condition became serious, an ambulance was sent for, and the deceased taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital, where he arrived in an unconscious condition. He never regained consciousness and died on August 20, at about 4 a.m.

After the scuffle the defendant was said to have disappeared for some time, but returning from the Kwong Wah Hospital on August 20 Inspector Fallon said that he met the defendant and stopped him and asked his name. He gave it at once and was taken to the Police Station.

Inspector Fallon also told his Worship that there appeared to be no external marks of injury on the deceased's head, and that the spot where he fell was a cement floor.

Abnormal Skull.

Dr. Cheng Kun Chuen, medical officer of the Kwong Wah Hospital, said that the deceased was brought to the hospital unconscious on August 19. He remained unconscious and died at about 4 a.m. the next day. There were no marks of injury on the deceased's body.

Dr. J. E. Dovey said that he held a post-mortem on the body but could not find any marks of external bruises. He found the skull to be abnormally thin so as to be transparent. There was a slight fissure on the left side of the skull and death was certified as being due to rupture of an artery and pressure on the brain. The doctor remarked that the skull was apparently a "tissue paper skull" and death could have been caused by any slight blow on this part. The hearing was adjourned.

\$1,800 THEFT SEQUEL.

FUGITIVE ARRESTED AT
SHATAUKOK.

STOLEN MONEY RECOVERED.

A smart arrest has been made by the police following the circulation of a report to the outstations that \$1,800 had been stolen from the regimental store at Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon.

As stated in the Daily Press yesterday, Mr. Shadi Lal, who is connected with the store, left the key of the safe on the table last Sunday. During this temporary absence, the safe was opened and the money extracted. The report stated that a Chinese assistant in the store was suspected in connection with the loss, but a visit to his residence at Temple Street showed that he had already bolted.

A report was then circulated giving details of the alleged thief. Sergeant Collins, attached to the Shataukok Police Station, kept a sharp look out and he was successful in the arrest of the wanted man, whose name was given as Tiu Wah, in his district. It is stated that the whole of the stolen money was found in the possession of the man. The arrested man was escorted to the Water Police Station and he will be charged before the Kowloon Magistrate this morning.

ROUND THE COURTS.

WOMAN FINED FOR
SOLICITING.

A fine of \$50 or in default one month's hard labour was imposed by Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday on Mercedes Garcia, aged 19, described as a Mexican girl, when convicted on a charge of soliciting.

It was stated in evidence that a Lance Corporal of the Somerset Light Infantry was approached by Garcia in Queen's Road Central on Monday night and that the latter had proposed "a walk towards Happy Valley." When the pair were passing the Naval Canteen they were stopped by the Military Police and taken to the No. 2 Police Station.

Garcia denied that she was soliciting and said she was "living with an American." An elderly Chinese woman was called by defendant but a somewhat complicated story of the latter's domestic arrangements did not substantiate her evidence.

**ALLEGED OFFENCE AGAINST
GIRL.**

A Chinese was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday with having committed a serious offence against a girl of twelve.

Causeway Bay Hill is mentioned in the charge sheet as the scene of the alleged offence and it was stated that during the Police Court hearing the mother of the girl and two other daughters will be called as witnesses. Medical evidence will also be given.

The defendant was formally remanded.

CHICKEN THIEF.

With nine previous convictions against him a Chinese youth was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at Kowloon Magistracy for stealing a chicken.

CRUELTY TO CHICKENS.

Several Chinese appeared before Mr. Whyte Smith on charges of cruelty to chickens by carrying them suspended by their wings. His Worship fined each defendant \$5.

UNLUCKY MOON CAKES.

A Chinese hawker was fined \$4 by Mr. Whyte Smith for hawking Moon cakes in Shanghai Street without an appropriate license.

MARRIED WOMEN FIGHT.

Two Chinese married women were bound over in a bond of \$50 for six months by Mr. Whyte Smith for fighting in Wai Ching Street. It was stated the two women had been at loggerheads for some time.

THEFT FROM S.S. COBLENZ.

The Chinese who is charged with stealing a watch from Mr. Ulbright of the S.S. Coblenz was again before Mr. Whyte Smith. The defendant was remanded until Friday afternoon for the hearing, it being stated that the ship would then be in port.

CANTON WORSHIPS
THE MOON.POPULACE AND THE
"HIGHBROWS."
FIERCE PROPAGANDA.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, September 17. In spite of the hostile attitude of the Canton Government in general and the Society for the Amelioration of Customs and Manners in particular, the Moon Festival is being celebrated to-day more or less as usual by the populace. The firing of fireworks was heard everywhere this morning and sacrificial of joss sticks, candles, sweetmeats and other symbols, was in evidence throughout the day. The city temples are also doing brisk business, but not so much as on former occasions of this sort. The priests got up very early to receive the worshippers, mostly women and girls, and invoke for them the blessings of the gods.

But compared with last year's celebrations are somewhat quieter. The Amelioration Society is staging a big anti-superstition demonstration to-day at the Headquarters of the Provincial Kuomintang. Handbills denouncing superstition, idol worship and the like are being distributed by the thousand to the people on the streets. All the principal thoroughfares are placarded with slogans, some of which are as follows: "Eliminate religious and social superstition"; "Banish Superstitious Thoughts and Harbour no Superstitious Fears"; "Away with the geomancers, fortune tellers, Buddhist priests, nuns, and all kinds of Spiritual Cocks"; "Demolish all Temple Gods, Idols and the like"; "To Eliminate Superstition is to cleanse Canton, the Birthplace of the National Revolution, of Blasphemy"; "To do away with Superstition is to remove the Obstacles to Political Reconstruction"; "We want to make Canton into a Model City we must eliminate superstition in whatever form or shape"; and "The Elimination of Superstition is essential social reconstruction based on Dr. Sun's San Min Chu I."

WAR ON TEMPLES.

The Society is also taking steps to confiscate temple and monastery property and turn it into schools, etc. It contends that in this present age of scientific enlightenment there is no need for such places. It will ask the Provincial Government to take action in this direction.

The crusaders are also trying to force the Government to increase the taxes on spirit money, red candles, clothings and furniture for the dead, joss sticks and other sacrificial materials. The Society hopes that the prohibitive cost of this paraphernalia will soon prevent the populace from buying it, and superstition gradually be dispensed with.

In addition to all this the Society will ask both the Provincial and the Municipal Government to issue an order banning all temples, gods, idols and tablets from shrines. The Society argues that so long as these objects remain they are bound to be worshipped and patronized by the ignorant and illiterate. The thing to do is to sweep them aside. The people, "seeing all their gods destroyed, will naturally turn to seek an explanation of the supernatural through exact science."

HIGH HOLIDAY!

The Government has definitely announced that there will be no holiday to-day and that its offices will remain open as usual. But the populace is disregarding the Government order and celebrating the Moon Festival with feasting and merry making. Every shop throughout the City and every boat on the river is decorated in honour of the Moon deities. The moon itself is supposed to be rounder to-night than at any other time of the year.

SUN FO'S CANTON VISIT.

EXPECTED NEXT WEEK.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, September 17. Word has been received in local official circles that Mr. Sun Fo is leaving Shanghai for Canton on September 21, and expects to arrive here about next Tuesday. Accompanying him will be Mr. Wu Teh Shing, Dr. Tai Chu Tau, Chancellor of Sun Yat Sen University, and other prominent officials. General Chen Ming Shu, chief of the civil administration of Kwangtung, Mr. Tang Yin Wu, Commissioner of Reconstruction, and Mr. Fan Ki Mo, Commissioner of Finance, who went to Nanking some time ago to confer with the Central Government, are also said to be returning to Canton with Mr. Sun Fo.

Dr. Tai's trip to Canton is purely in the interest of higher education. Sun Yat Sen University, a Government institution established by the late Dr. Sun himself, will begin its autumn term on September 19, and the Chancellor is returning to see how things are going. The University is taxed to its utmost capacity and at the last entrance examination there were nearly 3,000 candidates. Out of this number, less than 200 passed the tests and were duly admitted. The candidates were from all parts of South China.

DRIED FISH AND
BEANS.SANITARY BOARD
DISCUSSION.CONCESSION TO STALL
HOLDERS.

Some discussion occurred at the meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday over the suggested abolition of "sundries" stalls from Reclamation Street Market. The Chairman, Mr. T. W. Carris, said that sites in the Market were originally let to dealers in "sundries" (principally dried fish and bean curd) owing to the fact that there were insufficient sellers of fresh foodstuffs to fill all the vacant sites.

As the place developed, however, it had been found necessary to issue "sundries" stallholders with notice to quit in order to make way for fresh foodstuff stalls. This did not mean, however, that the "sundries" merchants would be put right out of business because they could still sell their wares outside the market.

Extension Granted.

The stallholders concerned were accordingly given notice to quit by the end of June but, when the speaker took over office, the notice was extended to expire on September 30. Thus they had received at least six months' actual notice.

Mr. M. K. Lo said that he supported the motion but asked whether the public would be prejudiced by the Board granting a further two months' extension.

The Chairman agreed to concede even more and suggested that notice be given to expire on Dec. 31 of this year.

The Board agreed to this course being adopted.

Sanitary Inspectors.

A minute by the President as to authorising Sanitary Inspectors G. D. Reid, J. T. Lacey, G. B. Frost, and W. E. Allen to enter premises and inspect and seize unwholesome food in accordance with section 82 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance (1900) was the next item of contention.

Mr. M. K. Lo pointed out that the number of Inspectors already referred to of the Ordinance gave them powers to enter premises at any time during the night or the day.

This was likely to inconvenience large firms and the speaker suggested that the powers given by the Ordinance should only be granted to a very few Senior Inspectors.

Minute Withdrawn.

The Chairman did not agree but pointed out that it would be a difficult matter for the Sanitary Department to work efficiently in this respect if one man was authorized and another was not. If, for instance, a junior inspector discovered the slaughtering of pigs going on, at night on certain premises and had to run about to find some senior officer to take action, "the game would be up."

Cases of this kind were not numerous, he added, and were few and far between.

Mr. Lo was not satisfied, however, and asked whether the Chairman thought the case would be met by giving authority to each and every inspector of the Department to enter all slaughter houses?

That was a different matter and would possibly meet with public approval.

But private shops—and the Ordinance mentioned "any premises"—were another matter. Why not make some limitation of the Inspectors' powers? Under the terms of the Ordinance, he concluded, Inspectors could enter any premises and could knock up Sincere's after midnight, for instance, and ask whether a tin of sardines was good or bad.

The minute was withdrawn.

PROJECTED SOUTH CHINA
RAILWAY.

CANTON TO YUNNANFU.

(Nam Chung Pao.)

The Ministry of Railways is planning the construction of a line between Canton and Yunnanfu, the capital of Yunnan. A group of surveying officers has been sent by the Ministry to prospect likely routes and work was started on the 15th inst. The authorities of Kwangtung, Kwangsi and Yunnan have been instructed to afford protection and facilities to the officers.

The Minister of Railways, Mr. Sun Fo who is coming south shortly, will negotiate with the Canton authorities with regard to the scheme and it is hoped to begin work as soon as possible. At present it takes over forty days to travel from Canton to Yunnanfu via Kwangsi. The journey by water is by way of Hong Kong and Haiphong.

According to plans of the Ministry, the line will be from Canton via Shuihing, Samshui, Takhsing, Fungshuen, Wuchow, Tenghsien, Mongkiang, Pingnan, Kweiping, Wuting, Tungpin, Chienkiang, Tuan, Tunglan, Hsingyi, Loping, Tze-chung, Luliang and then to Yunnanfu.

INDIAN CONSTABLE MURDER CASE.

PRISONER'S CONFESSION AT SESSIONS TRIAL.

ADMITS THE CRIME AND ACCUSES THE WOMAN.

VERDICT OF MANSLAUGHTER.

A statement made by the prisoner shortly after his arrest was emphasised by counsel for the defence at the second day's trial at the Criminal Sessions yesterday of Lam Ling for the murder of an Indian constable, Sapuran Singh. In the witness-box, the prisoner gave a story of the murderous attack having been made by the woman in the case and her lover, but he broke down under cross-examination, and admitted that he killed the Indian himself, adding that it was done with the assistance of the woman.

The jury brought in a verdict that they found the prisoner guilty of manslaughter, and he was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment with hard labour. On hearing the sentence, the prisoner remarked: "I prefer to be hanged than to serve ten years in gaol."

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy prosecuted for the Crown, and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., instructed by Messrs. Deacons, appeared for the defence, when the murder trial was resumed before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) in a crowded Court room.

Girl Continues Her Evidence.

The girl, Chan Kui, who created a scene the previous day, re-entered the witness-box for cross-examination. She was assured by His Lordship that she had nothing to fear, and all that she had to do was to give a direct answer to any questions which might be asked.

Mr. Alabaster: Did not your mother sell you to the prisoner so that you could be his wife when you grew up?

Witness: That is not true. I was forcibly taken away by the prisoner.

Although, according to your own story, you were kidnapped, yet you went on living with him in the same village—I did not do so willingly. He threatened to kill me.

But your mother and your aunt were in the same village, and so how can you say that?—You must know that he is a robber. He was so fierce that my mother and my aunt feared him and he threatened to kill them all.

But your mother allowed you to live with him?—She knew, but after a month she asked me to return home, and it was then the prisoner threatened to kill her.

You remember that night when you and prisoner walked to Tai-po?—Yes.

Did you not ask him to shoot the two men who were following you in order that you both could escape?—No.

Fight Between Prisoner and Indian.

Did you see a fight with bamboo poles between the Indian constable and the prisoner?—Yes. I saw the prisoner use a bamboo pole and strike the Indian.

What did the Indian do?—He asked the prisoner to return the 30 cents.

Yes, but what did he do when he was struck with the pole?—The Indian snatched the bamboo pole from the prisoner and struck him back.

How long did the fight last?—I don't know. The prisoner asked me to help him while he was fighting with the Indian. I said I did not want to and then the prisoner told me to go away. I got frightened and ran away.

Did you take the revolver with you?—No.

Before this fight began did the Indian send the prisoner away to buy something?—No.

And when the defendant came back, you and the Indian were together and the Indian was undressed?—That is not true. He never went to buy anything for the Indian and it was the prisoner who told the Indian to take his clothes off.

In reply to other questions, witness said she went for her brother and returned to the shelter with him. Her brother told the prisoner that he was a robber and that he had kidnapped his sister and that he wanted to hand her over to the Indian so that he (prisoner) might get money for himself.

Farmer Retrieves the Revolver.

How the revolver came back to Police Headquarters was related by a farmer living in the Chinese territory. He said that he was tending cattle in the fields when he observed four persons on the railway line. He saw the girl throw something to the prisoner and then heard shots fired in the direction of two men who were following the

girl and prisoner. Later prisoner threw the revolver away and witness went in chase. Witness recovered the revolver and kept it at his house until another man suggested he should hand it over to the British Police. He chased the prisoner for about an hour, being himself armed with a revolver.

A police interpreter stated in evidence that he took down a statement made by the prisoner after he had been duly cautioned. The prisoner's answer in reply to the charge was "I know nothing about it."

In answer to Mr. Alabaster, witness agreed that before this statement was made by the prisoner he had asked five questions to which answers were given.

Prisoner's Statement to Police.

Mr. Alabaster proposed to put in one of these questions and the answer, but His Lordship said that if he allowed it he would ask Mr. Alabaster to go through all the questions so that the jury would have the whole facts before them.

Counsel then put the five questions and answers to witness, who agreed they were correct.

The last question and answer, which Mr. Alabaster said was the most important, read as follows:—

How did you come by the cuts on your person?—Because the Indian constable gave me 30 cents and told me to buy some wine to drink. After I had left he then committed a rape on my wife. I came back and asked him what he has been doing. He then struck me with a truncheon on the head. I snatched the truncheon from him with my hand. He then drew his revolver. I also snatched the revolver from him and threw it away. He then picked up a chopper and struck me three times with it. I again snatched the chopper from him and struck him back with it. It was then about 12 midnight. I did not know whether he was alive or dead. I picked up the revolver, and with my wife I went to Shamshui to sleep. On the morning of the fifth day (July 11) I walked to Shatin where I took the train to Shum Chun.

Chau Kui and Her Lover.

Questioned by Mr. Alabaster, the prisoner gave the following answers from the witness-box.

Mr. Alabaster: At what time on that day (July 10) did you see the Indian constable?

Accused: About 11 p.m., at the shelter where I lived.

Where had you been up to that time?—I went out for a walk at 7 p.m. and returned at 11 p.m.

When you arrived what was going on?—I saw three persons, Chan Kui, the Indian, and a man (Chinese).

Did you hear anything?—The Chinese was the lover of Chan Kui. At that time he (the lover) had already attacked the Indian and the latter was dying.

How did you get the cuts on your hands?—It was in the dark. When I saw all this I thought I would be involved in trouble.

The Chief Justice: Saw what?—I saw the murdering of the Indian by the lover. I thought I would be involved as I lived in the shelter. I went to separate them and in so doing Chan Kui and her lover cut my hand with a chopper.

The Accused Cross-examined.

In cross-examination by Mr. Fitzroy, the accused said that Chan Kui's lover was a man named Ah Le that he had visited the hut several times to flirt with Chan Kui, and accused had made reports to the police.

How did Wong fight?—I saw him pressing the Indian down and Chan Kui assisted him. Chan Kui used a chopper to cut the Indian. I interfered and got cuts in my hand. Both Chan Kui and Wong were using choppers. The two choppers in Court were those used.

Did the Indian die instantly?—No.

Who took the revolver?—Ah Wong, he handed it to Chan Kui.

What did you do?—Ah Wong and Chan Kui ran away. I followed and saw Wong board a bus for Kowloon City. Chan Kui did not board the bus. I lost sight of her. Later I saw her at a theatre. We then went to Lai-chikok and spent the night there.

Where was the revolver?—Chan Kui had it in her girdle.

Did you fire at the two men who were following you?—Yes, because they accused me of kidnapping the girl. Chan Kui suggested I should fire at them because we were in Chinese territory and the laws were more severe than in British territory. The men accused me of kidnapping and I was liable to be shot.

Why did you not tell the police this story?—I am obliged to tell everything in Court to-day as Chan Kui gave false evidence against me. She wants to see me sentenced to death and I must prove to everybody that I am innocent.

A Strange Confession.

In the course of the severe cross-examination, the accused suddenly lost his temper and began to tell Mr. Fitzroy yet another story.

You struck the Indian with the chopper?—Yes, the smaller of the two. I was in a rage because he had raped by wife. He deserved to die. He struck me with the truncheon.

Did you strike him several times?—Naturally I did. I was quick in snatching the chopper from the Indian. Supposing he had killed me would the Indian have been prosecuted?

You said before that Wong and Chan Kui cut the Indian?—That is not true. What I said about them was trumped up. Chan Kui had given false evidence and I wanted to do something in return.

Witness continuing said that it must be clear to the Judge and tribunal that he alone could not commit the murder alone. "Who else but Chan Kui could be my assistant?—The Indian attacked me with the chopper, but I was too quick for him."

You now say you and Chan Kui killed the Indian?—Yes, and then we ran away.

Speech for the Defence.

In his concluding speech Mr. Alabaster said that he must confess the case was a peculiar one. Had the accused in the last few minutes not withdrawn the evidence given earlier, counsel would not be able to reconcile the two stories. The story the accused told Mr. Fitzroy, continued counsel, was substantially the same as he told the police in those five questions. So far as they are able to test the answers to those questions, they stand unshaken. The story fits the position in which the body was found, and also bears out Dr. Valentine's evidence.

It was clear, said counsel, that the accused was knocked down. It was also clear that both men were armed with choppers, as the accused had cuts on his hands. It was a severe fight. What other motive could he have than what the accused had already suggested about the woman.

In conclusion Mr. Alabaster asked the jury to carefully consider the answer to the fifth question. If that was true then he was acting under grave provocation. If there was any doubt in their minds the accused should be given the benefit of such doubt.

Mr. Fitzroy, after reviewing the evidence submitted that a murder had been committed and prisoner was the guilty man.

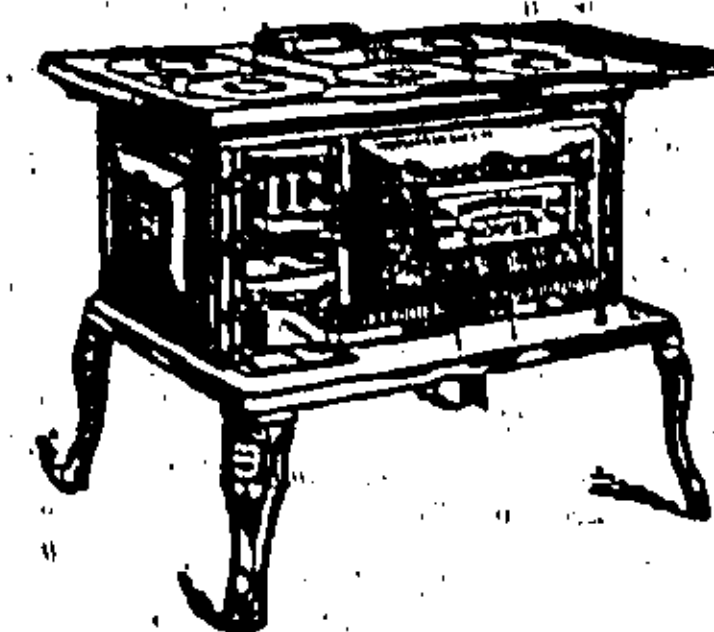
His Lordship summed-up the evidence and dealt with the legal aspects of the case. He asked the jury to consider whether or no the accused acted in self defence, to protect his own life, in which case the killing would be justified. On the other hand they had to consider the full facts of the case as presented by both sides.

After an absence of ten minutes, the jury announced that they were unanimous in their finding that the accused was guilty of manslaughter.

His Lordship remarked that the jury had done wisely in returning such a verdict owing to the state of the evidence. Still, the accused had killed a man and the circumstances were serious. The sentence would be ten years' imprisonment with hard labour.

At the close of the trial another hysterical scene was enacted in the corridor of the Court by the girl witness, Chan Kui.

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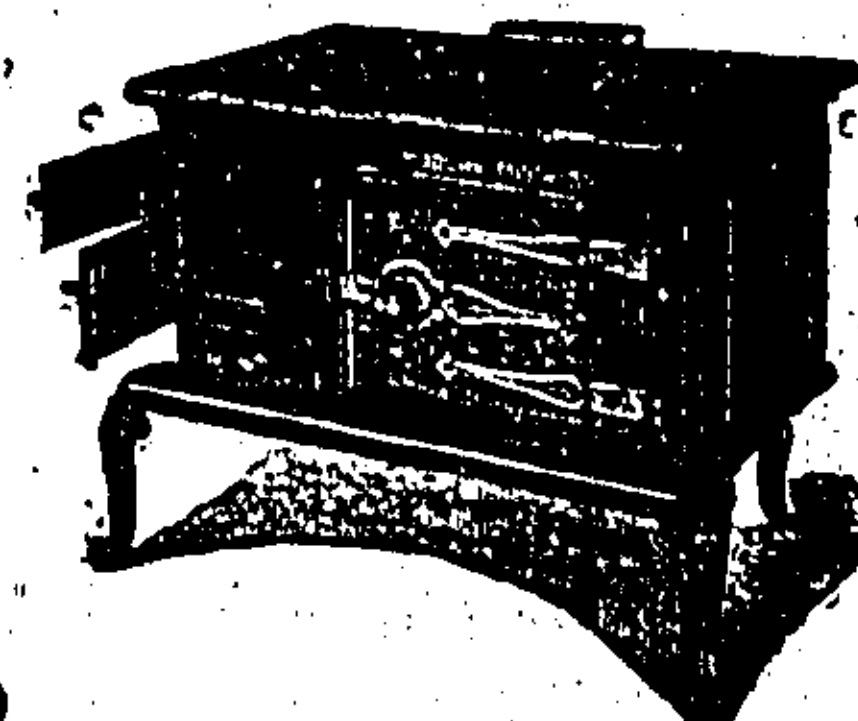
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E. M. BRYDEN, Hon. Secretary. [3884]

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The anticyclone has moved Eastward to S. Japan. A depression or typhoon is situated about 400 miles east of Manila, moving West.

Local Forecast: E. winds, moderate, fair generally.

THE TYPHOON.

Manila, September 17, 10 a.m.—Typhoon in about 129 deg. Long. E., and 15 deg. Lat. N., moving W.

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ANOTHER MANCHURIAN MYSTERY.

For some weeks it has been quite impossible to follow the development of events in connection with the Sino-Russian dispute over the Chinese Eastern Railway. We have heard rumours of German and of Japanese mediation, of Russo-Chinese mutual willingness to discuss amicably their points of disagreement, and of actual fighting, but beyond the circulation of these and other rumours nothing seems really to happen. What the present position is we have no means of knowing, any more than that the normal activities of the railway are suspended, and South China is deprived of the advantage of sending and receiving European mails by way of Siberia. What progress, if any, has been made in the direction of reaching an agreement regarding the future operation of the Chinese Eastern Railway we do not know, but a new development has arisen as a result of some "very grave" allegations made concerning the Russian management of the line by Mr. J. J. MANTLE, an American expert who is one of the foreign advisers attached to the Chinese Ministry of Railways. Mr. MANTLE has just completed an exhaustive study of the books of the Chinese Eastern Railway at the joint request of the Railway Ministry in Nanking and the authorities of the Three Eastern Provinces. The result, he has declared to the United Press, has been the discovery of amazing evidence of graft in high places, and on an ever-increasing scale.

During the year 1928 the gross business of the Chinese Eastern Railway amounted to \$95,000,000 (Mex.). Mr. MANTLE said. Under ordinary circumstances, railways in China should earn at least 48 cents on the dollar, yet the reported profits of the Chinese Eastern line 1928 were only \$130,000. The reason has been in what amounts to absolute control of the line during the last four years. The Chinese representation in the railway, although it should have been equal under the 1924 Agreement, has actually been only nominal. The Russians are responsible for what has happened, and it is difficult to see how they can deny it. Mr. MANTLE pointed out that the Chinese Eastern Railway is a gold mine, and there is no reason why the earnings should not be at least equal to those of other Chinese railways. If it had been handled properly, the earnings during the last four years might have amounted to more than \$100,000,000, whereas they have actually been only \$43,000,000.

"I am willing to state that the earnings of the Chinese Eastern Railway should already have paid off China's entire debt to foreign creditors," Mr. MANTLE declared. He pointed out that the railway to-day could not possibly be valued at more than 200,000,000 gold roubles although the Tsarist Russians claim that they put 400,000,000 roubles into the line. The books of the railway have been so kept by the Russians that it is practically impossible to tell what the real situation is to-day. Under the arrangement which existed up to July of this year, the management of the Chinese Eastern Railway had an absolute stranglehold upon North Manchuria. "China will have to remove this economic stranglehold in Manchuria by some means or other," declared the American expert.

Marshal CHANG HSEUH LIANG has been deeply interested in Mr. MANTLE's report. The American adviser spent several hours a day for a number of days with the Marshal explaining what he had discovered. What result his report will have upon the pending negotiations with Soviet Russia is not yet clear. Mr. MANTLE is making a thorough survey of the Chinese railways in Manchuria at the request of Marshal CHANG HSEUH LIANG. He has already completed part of his survey, but has been held up by troop movements from touring the remaining lines. He reports that dozens of troop trains are moving northward, and passenger and freight traffic has been entirely stopped on some lines because of the pressure of troop movements. He does not believe, however, that there will be actual warfare between China and Russia.

The American adviser has inspected 175 locomotives standing idle in Manchuria, and finds that only 18 of them need to be scrapped. The rest, he declared, can be put into active use at an average cost of \$15,000. Of the hundred of cars standing idle, he has found that only 10 per cent. are useless; the others can be repaired at moderate cost. "The repair shops in Manchuria, like those below the Great Wall, are extremely well-equipped and well-operated," Mr. MANTLE said. "They are working steadily, adding steadily to the available rolling stock." Mr. MANTLE does not believe that the agreement with the Wagon-Lits Company to install its restaurant and sleeping-cars on Peking-Mukden and Peking-Hankow lines will be consummated. "The Chinese can build and operate their own cars more cheaply," he said.

This damning indictment of Russia's mismanagement of the Chinese Eastern Railway is an *ex parte* statement, to which there may be a complete and satisfactory reply. As to that we shall see what develops, but the allegations are made by a man who is in a position to know the facts, and are not to be regarded so lightly as many of the rumours which come from Manchuria. Mr. MANTLE's estimate of 43 per cent. as the average earnings of Chinese railways in ordinary circumstances appears a rather optimistic figure. On the hand, a profit of only \$130,000 on a gross business of \$95,000,000 is much more absurdly disproportionate, and calls for explanation. According to Mr. MANTLE's vast sums of money have disappeared completely, and the books of the Chinese Eastern Railway have been kept in such a way that it is practically impossible to draw any conclusion from the figures—other than that there has been a serious mismanagement. Thus yet another mystery is added to the many in and about Manchuria, but perhaps more likely to be solved than many of those which have preceded it.

News and Views.

The Colony had a clean bill of health over the week-end.

The airplane ordered by the Far East Aviation Company for demonstration and general flying work is expected to reach Hong Kong on October 17.

It was stated at the meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday that funds were in hand to start a poster campaign to warn the community against the dangers to health caused by flies and spitting. It was not desired to ask the Government for financial assistance this year. It was agreed to submit the suggestion to the Government. The posters, illustrated, would be printed in English and Chinese.

Fashion Reformers in South China.

The Bureau of Social Affairs, Canton has prohibited the wearing of ear-rings, or breast or foot binding by women and girls. Bobbed hair, instead of the pig-tail, is also regarded as suitable propaganda. Foot binding was abolished by the voluntary act of the people of Canton thirty years ago but the wearing of ear-rings and breast binding are both common to-day especially among the older women. At present, over eighty per cent. of the girls attending school have bobbed hair. As to young married ladies, about thirty per cent. have abandoned the "Kai" (or "ban") as British people would call it, but nearly all the older women preserve their long tresses. With regard to these orders it will be remembered that about a year ago, a vigorous young colonel, who was sent to police a district of Kwangtung, forcibly cut the locks of the country girls and generally "raised Cain" by his pseudo Cromwellian methods.

The annual general meeting of the St. Andrews Society will be held in the City Hall on Friday, September 27, at 3.45 p.m. The report and accounts will be presented and officers elected for the ensuing year.

Proposals by Wireless.

Wireless stations in Japan have begun new matrimonial announcements, in which Japanese girls boast in flowery language of the charms of their figures and faces. The following is a typical example of how a would-be bride sets forth her charms and announces that she is in search of a husband: "I am a very pretty girl. My hair is wavy like the clouds. My complexion has the brilliance and the bloom of a flower. My face is as mobile as the leaves of the weeping-willow. My brown eyes are like two moon-crystals. I have possessions enough to pass my life in happy ease with my lover. If this appeal is heard by an intelligent young man who is amiable and comely, I will unite myself to him for life. And when we are dead we will rest for ever in a tomb of red marble." Appeals of this sort are sent forth daily, and this method of marriage-making is apparently proving a great success.

Atlantic Shipping Rivalry.

M. Jean Tillier, assistant managing director in the United States of the French Line (Compagnie Transatlantique Générale), announced, on his return to New York recently from conferences with his directors abroad, that his company had nearly completed plans for a palatial ocean liner to surpass anything now afloat. "Snappy," he added, even to the two great liners which are to be built by the United States Line at a cost of \$20,000,000 (\$10,000,000). He intimated that the vessel would be more than 1,000 feet long. If the Government refused to permit the lengthening of the piers in the Hudson River, the company might dock its vessels at Montauk Point, the north-eastern extremity of Long Island, but that would be only as a last resort. The Oceanic, the great White Star liner now in course of construction, is to be 1,000 feet long and of 80,000 tons gross.

ADVICE FOR INVESTORS.

READERS are reminded that inquiries relating to the share market are answered on page 10 every Tuesday by "Kufan." Letters should be sent to this office, and must be accompanied by writer's name and address, not for publication. Letters should be addressed to "Kufan," care of the Editor.

Argentine Urns.

The Field Museum of Natural History at Chicago is exhibiting a collection of funerary urns in which ancient North-western Argentines buried some of their dead. Little is known of these people who disappeared before the Spanish invasion of South America, says a recent bulletin from the museum, and what traces have been found indicate that they had achieved a high state of civilization. The funerary urns are of pottery, skillfully and artistically made, and have well-conceived imaginative designs and pictures painted on them. It is believed that before burying their dead in these urns, the bodies were first exposed in branches of trees or on rocks until the flesh decomposed. The bones were gathered and then deposited in the urns. The urns were principally used for children while adults were interred in the caves or in the ground, according to information furnished by the museum. Investigators have suggested that these children may have been sacrificed to the gods of rain and fertility. Archaeologists have designated the civilization of these people by the name of Calchaqui, after the valley in which they lived.

Portsmouth-Singapore Wireless.

While the future of the Singapore base is unknown and the idea that it may be completed but not armed still stands, its construction is responsible for at least one item of usefulness. This lies in the wireless communication work, made necessary by the new naval base in the Far East. An enthusiast on wireless states that the Navy's experts have made quite a success of short-wave experiments in communicating from Portsmouth to Singapore, that constant communication by day and night has been made possible, and that load tests are such as to astonish the technical men and constitute records unsurpassed by other nations. To the non-technical mind this seems satisfactory if rather unintelligible. At Portsmouth there is an experimental station dotted with clumps of wireless masts, but the silent Navy, with traditional reserve, tells the world nothing about its peace-time success. Possibly when the Prime Minister reveals the result of the Government's general survey on naval matters we may learn something about this short-wave transmission from Portsmouth to the new base at Singapore.

"Long and Skinny Daughters."

"What is the golden rule of health for warding off the common cold in the head?" This was one of the questions before the meeting of the British Medical Association in Manchester, and in the course of the discussion Dr. Dan McKenzie, of the Central London Throat and Ear Hospital, said:—"The cold-water, open-air crank puts down all the ill flesh is heir to, and specifically nasal catarrh, to living and working indoors. But this is the twentieth century. Few of us can afford to revert to savagery. Yet these 'exuberant' Bohemians, not content with their own virulently aesthetic practices, inflict them also on their children—and you will see their long and skinny daughters, with red-rimmed eyes and weeping noses, sent out to face Kingsley's no-nonsense partly nude and purple. No one will ever persuade me that that regimen is either safe or sensible—or even decent. The golden rule of health, concluded Dr. McKenzie, was to seek the *via media*, exposing our system to extremes of no kind, neither coddling nor over-taxing our bodies."

Memorial to Samuel Plimsoll.

A memorial to Samuel Plimsoll, the sailor's friend, was recently unveiled in the Embankment Gardens, London. Though it is 30 years since Plimsoll died, this is the first memorial that has been erected to him. The Plimsoll line, to be seen on every British ship, is a permanent memorial to the sailor's friend. Down in the docks a street has been named after him. The memorial was unveiled in the presence of representatives of all branches of the merchant service by Sir Walter Runtiman, who was a personal friend of Plimsoll. In 1888 Plimsoll entered the House of Commons and five years afterwards he published "Our Seamen," an appeal which attracted public attention and led to the passing of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1876. That Act empowered the Board of Trade to detain any vessel deemed unsafe, imposed penalties for overloading, and ordered the marking of the Plimsoll line on the sides of ships. Plimsoll continued his work after retiring from Parliament, and in 1894 an Act was passed to take the fixing of the loading out of the discretion of the owner and making it a duty of the Board of Trade. His bust, which is the work of Mr. Ferdinand Plinth and is erected on a granite plinth on the pedestal represent Justice, and a snail and a shield will set out the work of the reformer of the merchant service. In the railings around the memorial the sculptor has introduced designs of sea-horses and the Plimsoll line. The secretary of the National Union of Seamen stated that they had erected the memorial out of union funds, as a mark of the gratitude which sailors owed to Plimsoll.

Changes in Musical Taste.

Mr. Walton O'Donnell, the conductor, continued his conducting classes at the Eighth Summer School of Music at Oxford last month. He urged that a conductor should be able to size up the characteristics of every individual in his band and treat his virtues or feelings in a sympathetic and understanding manner. He must encourage his players to do some reasoning for themselves. Dr. George Dyson, director of music at Winchester College, in his last lecture on the history of music, said, "The most demoralizing thing in art, as in other things, is limelight. Put a very estimable person with a nice voice into a limelight and she usually ceases to be a normal human being and becomes a prima donna. It greatly affects the work of the composer, for instead of his being able to write the music he thinks, he has to write for the prima donna and what the general public wants." Discussing the music of Purcell, Dr. Dyson said, "There is a peculiarly English tang about Purcell. He has a touch of the east wind so reminiscent of this country. He is so fresh, daring, and unemotional, and seems to embody all our English characteristics." Mr. Basil C. Allchin, professor at the Royal College of Music, and late organist of Hertford College, Oxford, said that there was a willingness on the part of modern players to accept a combination of a series of notes on one condition—that it felt and seemed sense and that it led up to sense. "The ear," he said, "is not the same to-day as it was 10 years ago. It accepts now what 10 years ago it would have regarded as chaotic nonsense. Now-days there is often a feeling of irritation experienced when one knows exactly what the next chord is going to be and one can feel a keen delight when that chord does not go to the accustomed place, but instead nearly lifts one out of one's seat by an unexpected turn. The main thing that we musicians have to get out of our heads is what music looks like. We have got into the habit of learning it entirely by the eyes instead of learning it by sound. The fortunate children of to-day are starting to learn music by sound and are beginning where we older musicians are about to leave off. We have got to think musically."

THEFT FROM MESSRS.

LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED.

BRACELET WORTH \$400.

Mr. H. Burton, of Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., Jewellery Dept., has reported to the police that some time between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Monday some person stole from a showcase a gold, platinum and diamond bracelet worth \$400.

Mr. Miller, of the same establishment, also made a report to the effect that he lost a gold watch and chain while he was travelling in a public car between Wanchai and Caine Road on Saturday.

A Soldier's Cross-Word.

The popularity of the cross-word puzzle shows no sign of waning. Newspapers and magazines in all parts of the world make special provision for this popular feature, which provides both entertaining and educative occupation for an odd half-hour. Those of our readers who have been amusing themselves by solving—or trying to solve—the cross-word puzzles appearing in our columns daily will be particularly interested in to-day's puzzle, which is a local product. It has been devised by Private R. Brabant, of the Somerset Light Infantry, now stationed at Shum-shui. Though not so difficult to solve as some of the puzzles which have appeared, it is an interesting amateur effort, and we publish it with pleasure as an example of a British soldier's ingenuity.

Repairs to Kennedy Road.

We learn that as the result of a petition recently presented, the authorities will soon commence repairs to Kennedy Road—one of the most popular roads on the mid-level. The need for this work has been felt for a very long time, and it is indeed surprising that residents in the district put up with conditions so long without protest. It is interesting to recall that as far back as 1913, a letter appeared in the *Daily Press* complaining of the deplorable condition of "Kennedy Road," the writer declaring that the only improvements made since the road was built in 1873 being the erection of some iron railings here and there, and removal of the wooden bridges. Present-day residents in the district, as well as hundreds of others who use the road, will welcome the news that the authorities will also widen the road at some of the corners, as well as the growing volume of motor traffic these danger spots are gradually becoming more dangerous.

A Bell-Ringer's Memories.

Mr. Philip Aldridge Coard, a City wool expert and change ringer, has just celebrated his golden wedding. For over 65 years he has been employed by Messrs. Sanderson, Murray and Elder, of Gresham Street, E.C., and he now lives with his wife at Hascocks, Sussex. He still rings bells regularly in Sussex steeples, and he says that, thanks to his good memory, he can still entertain a party for an hour on the forms of amusement popular in Victorian drawing-rooms. For many years he was a woolen expert, and now confines himself to his employers' accountancy department, which he continues to attend three times a week. "There is nothing like work—wholesome, interesting work—and change ringing to keep one young and fit," he said. "I don't know anything better than bell-ringing for maintaining health. This, with moderate living, a little gardening, music and reading should keep one contented and happy in old age. When I was a young man we had to walk the three or four miles from our suburban homes to the City. I had to leave home in those days at six o'clock, and seldom returned before nine or ten at night. Then we went to the warehouse or office early and departed late. To-day the custom is to begin work late and leave early."

Looking Back 25 Years.

A proposal is on foot to start a Cricket and Recreation Club for Kowloon. Such an institution would be a boon to residents on the Kowloon side.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, September 19, 1904.

Looking Back 50 Years.

We hear that it is probable the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company will take over two of the Chinese Government gunboats for the purposes of their traffic. Mr. Tong King Sing and Captain Bolton, who are in Fochow, are negotiating in the interests of the company for the purchase of Nos. 24 and 25 gunboats. The latter is on the stocks; the former was launched a short time ago. Both vessels are suitable for carrying cargo and passengers, and are probably to be engaged in the Hainan trade, for which they are well adapted. The registered tonnage of each is about 350 tons, speed about ten knots, and it is believed they will be fitted with an upper deck like Messrs. Douglas LaPraik's steamer *Douglas*.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, September 18, 1879.

PROPOSED DISARMAMENT TERMS.

WHERE BRITAIN AND U.S.A. DIFFER.

THE QUESTION OF SUBMARINES.

JAPAN'S VIEWS ON THE MATTER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Sept. 18.

Reuter is authoritatively informed that in the beginning of the British and American naval conversations, the British Government, mindful of past failures, resolved to start completely afresh. It has been already made clear that British construction is not concerned with American construction, but with purely British responsibilities, for instance, the Palestine situation, which came as a "bolt from the blue."

A certain fleet standard has been worked out to meet such responsibilities, and the British Government would have reviewed the whole position of the fleet in any event with the Dominions, which have been consulted throughout.

It has been assumed throughout the negotiations that the object of a British Empire fleet is unity, and the Dominions will be represented at the five Powers' conference.

The Parity Question.

Great Britain does not object to the United States' desire for parity. Both want to reduce expenditure, hence the problem of agreement is both difficult and complicated. It was felt that an armaments agreement was not reachable without a political agreement, therefore conversations were started with the Kellogg Pact as the basis. The next question was the survey of the various sections of the fleet. Battleships were dealt with at the Washington Conference. As regards destroyers, it is felt that agreement may be reached on an equality of displacement tonnage. As regards submarines, Great Britain holds very strongly, that they should be eliminated from warfare, and the United States is willing to help. The very difficult question of cruisers, which was wrecked at the previous conferences, remained.

Disagreement on the cruisers problem is now reduced to the narrowest margin of three or four hundred tons, but both President Hoover and the British Government are determined that there can be no break on that account. Agreement in that connection does not depend finally upon the British-American negotiations, but upon Great Britain's ability to fulfil her responsibilities to the rest of the world. Agreement is only possible with the over-riding determination both of the United States and Great Britain to reach an agreement much larger in spirit than a merely naval agreement. The British Admiralty has been splendidly helpful throughout.

New Conference.

The proposed five Power conference may possibly be unable to meet until the middle of January. It is hoped that all will agree to London as the venue. It is suggested that it will be equivalent to a resumption of the Washington conference which is not due to meet until 1931, as Britain and the United States feel that the time has come to consider the naval problem as a whole.

It is impossible that the conference will complete its labours in a month. It has been made very clear to Mr. Hoover that any British and American agreement must be scanned after the five Power conference in order that it may be in consonance with the latter's decisions.

Great Britain feels that if she can get world shipbuilding agreement, it will be one of the biggest things ever done. It would then be possible to deal at Geneva with land air armaments, and eventually, whole world armaments.

The British Government feels that such agreement would be cheap if Great Britain gave a cruiser for it. It is emphasised that the British tactics throughout the negotiations have been perfectly safe, and British security is absolute.

Cruiser Strengths.

LONDON, LATER.

The following summary of the proposed cruiser strengths indicates the nature of the margin of difference: Great Britain, 15 cruisers, armed with eight-inch guns, and 25 six-inch guns, a total tonnage of 230,000.

The United States: 21 eight-inch guns, 15 six-inch guns, a total tonnage of 315,000.

Great Britain, however, proposes that America shall only have 18 eight-inch cruisers and a total tonnage not exceeding 300,000.

All British military preparations are at present being made on the assumption that there will be no war at a certain period not before the hypothetical year "x."

The Standard Year.

In the naval discussions 1936 was taken as the standard year. This was within the year "x." The proposed agreement will be reviewed in 1933, thus providing a "period for peace experiment," and to facilitate more systematic methods of scrapping replacements at the dockyards.

Great Britain has made clear that whatever America may do, in the way of expanding her fleet, she will find no response in the British programme, but, if American building resulted in stimulating other countries to build, obviously Great Britain must take indirectly an interest in American building.

London Satisfied.

LONDON, Sept. 17. The fact that the Admiralty has approved of the terms of the proposed agreement for limitation of naval armaments adds a feeling of security to the satisfaction generally felt over the success of the British-American conversations up to the present.

While it is recognised that the conversations have achieved much it is not overlooked that there is still a knotty point in regard to the cruiser problem to be solved. Even assuming this is overcome, a warning note is sounded that the British-American agreement is only a preliminary to a larger agreement between the five Naval Powers, and it is pointed out that the difficulties which may arise in the general conference, which, it is now hoped, will meet in London in January, may yet prove obstinately complicated.

Great credit is bestowed on Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and President Hoover.

Views in Tokyo.

Tokyo, Sept. 17. Reuter's authoritative survey of the Anglo-American naval conversations has been received in official quarters without surprise. Since Mr. Matsudaira has been thoroughly informed of the progress of the MacDonald-Dawson conversations he has kept the Government fully informed.

Responsible officials decline to comment on the details of the Anglo-American compromise, although authoritative quarters indicate that its nature and scope place no great difficulties in the way of Japanese adherence.

Circles outside the Navy, notably the Press commentators, display some disappointment that the scale of Anglo-American cruiser limitation means further building instead of reduction, if Japan is to maintain her desired 70 per cent.

The Cabinet's regular meeting this morning was largely occupied with the naval question, upon which Admiral Takahara and Baron Shidehara reported the outcome, though the Cabinet's deliberations have not been divulged.

Japan Favors Submarines.

After the meeting Mr. Hamaguchi further conferred with Admiral Takahara. The afternoon vernacular papers publish the purported outline of Admiral Takahara's statement before the Cabinet, which authoritative quarters close to the Admiral partially confirm.

The statement is that first, Japan is prepared to consider favourably the extension of a capital ship holiday until 1936. Second, Japan must consider the American first-class cruiser strength, if carrying 8-inch guns, as the standard for her claim of 70 per cent. Hence, she must build two cruisers beyond the current programme if the American limit is placed at eighteen 10,000-ton ships, or four, if set at twenty-one.

Thirdly, Japan is willing to scrap approximately 17,000 tons of destroyers, leaving her 105,000 tons, if the Anglo-American limit is fixed at 150,000.

Fourthly, Japan is opposed to abolition or drastic reduction of submarines, which she considers the most effective defensive weapon against a superior fleet.

Viscount Cecil's Plan Languishes.

GENEVA, Sept. 18. It is generally felt that nothing tangible will result from Viscount Cecil's disarmament resolution, the object of which, apparently, is to keep the matter open by again stating the British view. The resolution makes no reference to trained reserves.

[An earlier message stated: The newspapers are up in arms as regards the land disarmament proposal which it is understood Viscount Cecil is submitting to Geneva on behalf of the British Government, suggesting the limitation of trained reserves.]

France has always opposed limitation and a Franco-British Agreement was reached a year ago that Great Britain would not oppose the French viewpoint.

CHIANG TSO PING RESIGNS?

CHINESE ENVOY AT BERLIN.

A NANKING REPORT.

(Wah Tse Yat Pao.)

NANKING, Sept. 17.

It is stated in foreign sources that the Chinese Minister to Germany, Mr. Chiang Tso Ping, has tendered his resignation as Chinese plenipotentiary to discuss the Sino-Russian dispute over the Chinese Eastern Railway.

The Central Government has telegraphed to Dr. Wang Chung Hui, the Minister of Justice, who is now at Berlin on his return to China, to succeed Mr. Chiang as the plenipotentiary.

Another message says that the Ministry for Foreign Affairs has received a cable from Dr. Wang Chung Hui saying he is proceeding to Geneva to discuss Sino-Russian affairs with Dr. C. C. Wu and Mr. Chiang Tso Ping.

CONFISCATION OF A FORTUNE.

ALTRUISM IN NANKING.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, Sept. 17.

The State Council has ordered the confiscation of all property belonging to the late Sheng Kung Pao, an official in the Manchou regime, on the ground that he accumulated his vast fortune through embezzlement of public funds. His bequests to charity are not affected.

CHINA'S MINISTER TO BRITAIN.

RETURN TO DUTY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Sept. 17.

Mr. Alfred Sze, Minister to Britain, left this afternoon on the Kitao Maru for Marseilles.

PRESS CENSORSHIP REMOVED.

BUT SOME LOCALITIES EXCEPTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

A mandate instructing the removal of Press censorship throughout the country except in "particular localities which are at present under peculiar conditions" was issued by the State Council yesterday.

FAR EASTERN BANK CLOSES DOWN.

DALBANK SHUTS UP TOO.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HARBIN, Sept. 17.

The shareholders, at a meeting on Sunday, definitely decided to liquidate the Far Eastern Bank and the Dalbank.

BELGIAN MINISTER'S PROTEST.

BOHO OF RECENT MURDERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Sept. 18.

The Belgian Minister has transmitted, through his personal representative in Shanghai and Nanking, a formal Note of protest to the National Government in connection with the murders of Bishop Trudo Jans and Fathers Bruno and Ruperts in Hupeh.

The Note requests prompt investigation of the outrage and the arrest of the culprits, as well as exemplary punishment.

A British naval wireless message received this morning states that an attack took place near Patung, near Ichang, on Monday, and that in addition to the Bishop and the two Fathers, three Chinese Christians were killed.

FRENCH ADMIRAL'S DEATH.

FORMER COMMANDER IN FAR EAST.

[THROUGH HAVAS AGENCY.]

PARIS, Sept. 17.

Vice-Admiral Stoltz, former commander of the French Naval forces in the Far East, died this morning at Toulon.

STOPPING "DOPE" EVILS.

SOME SUGGESTIONS AT GENEVA.

CHINA'S IDEAS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, Sept. 17.

At a meeting of the Opium Committee, Dr. C. C. Wu, delegate for China, urged a drastic limitation of the manufacture of narcotics to medical and scientific needs.

Mr. Noel Baker (Britain) demanded the strengthening of the opium section of the League, and the withdrawal of licenses in cases of abuse of the convention.

He also submitted a resolution that countries manufacturing morphine, heroin, and cocaine should confer so as to fix an annual quota to be manufactured.

Speeding-Up Urged.

GENEVA, Sept. 18.

The situation of the opium traffic is still serious. According to a rapporteur, the Fifth Committee is urging all the Governments which have not ratified the 1923 Convention to do so at the earliest moment, otherwise the League will have to forge new weapons.

Viscount Mushakoji (Japan) appealed for a speeding up of the Convention, and suggested that the manufacture of drugs be restricted to pharmaceutical requirements with an adequate supervision of the trade. The Norwegian and Siamese spokesmen announced their intention to ratify the Convention.

The British delegates submitted two resolutions, the first designed to secure the help of countries where smuggling is widespread, and the second to create strict international supervision of postal drug traffic.

PIT DISASTER IN LORRAINE.

WORST EXPLOSION IN YEARS.

BIG MINE AFIRE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

COLOGNE, Sept. 17.

Twelve people were killed, 30 seriously injured, and several are missing in a series of fire-damp explosions at St. Charles colliery at Petit Ercelle.

This was one of the worst disasters for many years in the Lorraine coalfield. The first explosion occurred on Sunday, and two more yesterday, while eighty men were working to repair Sunday's damage. The explosions yesterday were very violent, and destroyed the shaft, the electricity works, and the boiler-house.

The pit is now afire.

BRITAIN AND THE SOVIET.

ENVOY COMING TO LONDON.

LETTERS ISSUED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Sept. 18.

The British and Russian correspondence, now issued, shows that the Russian representative, who will discuss the procedure for further negotiations, is coming to London on September 24.

MURDERED SOCIALIST. COMMEMORATION MEETING.

[United Press.]

Tokyo, September 17.

Police patrols were redoubled today and extra men called to duty to prevent disorders in connection with services to be held by radicals in memory of the late Sakaye Ougi, a widely-known Japanese Socialist, who was strangled by a police captain, Masahiko Amakasu, in the excitement following the great earthquake of 1923.

Amakasu was sentenced to prison for the murder, but later was released and disappeared. He killed not only Ougi, but also the Socialist's young nephew, strangling them brutally after they had been taken to a police-station for questioning in connection with an alleged Anarchist plot.

Ougi's friends hope to hold a large demonstration today, and have invited Miss Mako Ougi, daughter of the murdered man, to come to Tokyo from her home in Fukuoka, Kyushu, to lead the procession they hope to organize. No extensive trouble is expected, but police are taking every precaution.

HOLLAND AND EAST INDIES.

VIGILANCE CONSIDERED INCUMBENT.

QUEEN-MOTHER'S SPEECH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE HAGUE, Sept. 17.

Queen Wilhelmina to-day ceremoniously opened the new session of the States General.

In the speech from the Throne she regretted that the desire to reach a fresh settlement with Belgium was not yet attainable.

She emphasised the continued need for economy in State services, and said that vigilance was still incumbent with regards to the political situation in the Dutch East Indies.

PREMIER'S TRIP TO AMERICA.

LONG ITINERARY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Sept. 18.

"To substitute cordiality for coolness" is the official reason given by Reuter for Mr. MacDonald's visit to America. He will only discuss with Mr. Hoover the subjects at present being negotiated, but intends to establish a general goodwill and kill baseless suspicions.

Mr. MacDonald arrives in New York on October 4, and will proceed direct to Washington, where he will remain until October 10, whence he will visit Philadelphia where, *inter alia*, he will entertain the doctors who treated him during his illness there in 1927.

Later he will return to New York, visit the Niagara Falls, and reach Toronto on October 18, possibly meeting Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Premier. He goes to Ottawa on October 19, to stay for three days as the guest of Mr. Mackenzie King, after which he will visit Montreal, and Quebec, leaving for Home on October 25 by the s.s. "Duchess of York." The Premier will be due back at the House of Commons on November 4, when Parliament reassembles.

MENJOU IN SEARCH OF WORK.

PERFECT LOVER FINDS HIMSELF OUT OF DATE.

Adolphe Menjou, the "perfect lover" of the screen, is out of work. There is apparently no demand now for his interpretation of the role of a well-bred philanthropist, after vainly attempting to find work in New York for several weeks, he has sailed for Europe to try to obtain a contract in England, France, or Germany.

Menjou is unable to explain the reluctance of the film producers to employ him.

Before he sailed he said he did not think the coming of the talkies had anything to do with it, as the last film he made under his old contract was a talkie, and the receipts from it had been satisfactory.

In spite of this he had been refused a new contract. Other producers had appeared interested, but eventually also refused to employ him.

Menjou hinted that his wife, who was formerly Kathryn Carver, might also return to the screen if necessary.

Adolphe Menjou was born in France. He was practically unknown until his performance in Charlie Chaplin's production, "The Woman of Paris," made him internationally famous.

Since then he has starred in many successful films. He married Miss Carver in Paris in May 1923. When they arrived in London a few days later large crowds greeted them at the station.

Mr. Owen Nares stated to a Press representative:— "I regard Menjou as a supremely good silent screen actor. I do not think that popular interest in the type of lover he portrayed iswaning. Two successful actors on the English stage to-day, who are at their best reproducing on the stage the type of characters Menjou popularised on the films, are Hugh Wakefield and Ronald Squires."

Mr. Carl Brisson, one of the most handsome of British screen stage lovers, would scarcely believe that Adolphe Menjou was out of work. "It can't be true," he exclaimed. "It can't be true. An artist of his ability and popularity ought not to be 'reeling.' I cannot believe the reason is that the cinema public has no interest left in love stories."

THE ENDURANCE OF THE CHINA PONY.

LIEUT.-COL. SOUVOROFF'S RIDE FROM SHANGHAI TO NANKING AND BACK.

FIFTY MILES A DAY FOR EIGHT DAYS.

Lieut.-Colonel P. Souvoroff, partner and chief instructor at the Haig Riding School in Shanghai, has just returned from a true busman's holiday, namely a trip on one of the school ponies to Nanking and back, alone, and with no knowledge of Chinese. He was provided with a Chinese passport and also a certificate in both English and Chinese which certified that he was "making a trip from Shanghai to Nanking and back on horseback with a view to testing the strength and endurance of the Chinese pony."

Also he had in his pocket book two pages of words in Mandarin, which he had transcribed as nearly as possible phonetically into Russian script. Among the list occur such requirements as—Food, water, straw, barley, hotel, bran, fish, bread, soap, meat, chicken, eggs etc.

The trip had been under consideration for some time, till at last, on August 25, Mr. Souvoroff departed at 6.30 a.m. taking with him a blanket under the saddle and a change of clothing strapped on behind. His first day's itinerary led him to Nanking, Wangda, Anting and Loukang, where he stayed the first night after having done about 40 miles.

The second day's journey proved considerably harder as there were no roads but plenty of rivers and few bridges. In the early stages of his trip, Mr. Souvoroff explained, he tried as much as possible to avoid making his pony swim and getting wet himself; in order to do this he had to make wide detours which took him out of his course. Later on, however, he became more confident and less patient; if a river appeared he just dismounted and swam by the side of "Almas," the pony, with his hand on the pommel. "The chief discomfort after such a swim was my boots," he said. "I had to tilt them up so as to empty the water out. . . . They were nice boots, too" he added reflectively and ruefully.

Out All Night.

The second night he slept at Quinan, which he had reached at 8 p.m. The next morning at 8 a.m. he left for Soochow. His third day took him along by the Soochow Creek to Wusich. Here he changed his direction because of the lie of the land and made for Changchowfu, thence to Tayan through the mountains to Potou and Kuyunghsien. On the eighth day he arrived in Nanking having covered about 400 miles. On the way back he reckoned that he had gone about 300 miles as he took a shorter route. He spent 70 hours only in Nanking and then returned.

Questioned about any difficulty he might have experienced over food he explained that suitable fodder for Almas was not a great problem. "Many nights I did not turn in until midnight," he said. "Because I was trying to find food for my pony and watching to see that he got it. I missed a lot of sleep. One night I arrived at Kuyunghsien later than I

had bargained for. Judging by my map I should have reached it by 8 p.m. whereas it was 11 p.m. when I arrived and the gates had been closed for the night against robbers. I decided it would be too dangerous to go on and retired about a quarter of a mile away, worried about Almas' food."

"I ungirted him and sat down on the ground, dead beat, while he grazed. I was afraid of falling asleep and losing him. However, I stayed awake until about 3 a.m. when suddenly I saw a light ahead and realized that the gates were being opened. I girted up hurriedly and rode down to the town. There I saw that there was some religious ceremony going on which necessitated opening the gates for the priests to come out and invoke aid against bandits."

Priests Frightened.

"So frightened were they to see me that three of them fell to the ground! I tried to quieten them saying 'I am a good man'—for they divide us into two classes, white and red, good and bad, even in small places. I gave them my passport and letter of introduction to read and luckily one of the soldiers on guard could read. He saw all the chops of the towns through which I had already passed and cried 'Good' and called another soldier to lead me to the hotel, where I stayed for three hours before starting off again." All the soldiers and civilians Mr. Souvoroff met in the journey were kind and helpful, although he was somewhat incensed by the crowds which gathered and could not understand the reason for his peculiar mode of travel. The hotel accommodation was quite good but he had to sleep in field and twice in houses in Chinese villages. He met no bandits or robbers.

Almas a Little White Fellow.

The pony, a little white fellow, very fit, in spite of his strenuous labours, did not catch cold in spite of his repeated immersions—between Quinan and Shanghai on the return journey there were eighteen fordings; his name, Almas in Russian, means Diamond. He had one slight mishap when he fell off a single stone bridge which slanted at an impossible angle even for a Manchurian pony, but as Mr. Souvoroff was leading him and expected the accident, he did not take his master with him. On the whole Almas worked from eight to twelve hours daily, covering a distance of 700 miles in sixteen days, with a rider weighing 125 lb. and a total saddle weight of about 19 lb. Almas is just an ordinary school pony and can be hired; he was chosen because he had not been too long in the school. "Not long enough to be spoiled by bad riding," as Mr. Souvoroff wistfully said. He looks perfectly fit to start out again to-morrow on a similar trip. And his master? "I went through the Great War and the Russian Civil War," says Mr. Souvoroff. "But the hardest thing I have ever done was this trip to Nanking."—N. O. Daily News.

WOMAN ANGLER'S BIG CATCH.

RECORD HAUL OF 75 TARPON.

Fort Myers, Fla.—A quick thinking sportswoman, wise in the ways of deep water angling, Mrs. Graham L. Wilson, of Philadelphia, is credited here with the record for conquests in a single season's battles with Florida's gamest fish—the tarpon.

Mrs. Wilson is the ranking woman member of a small band of veteran fishermen who invade Florida each spring and summer in quest of tarpon. Fred Stone, stage star, joined the ranks of the silver scale anglers this year while recuperating from the injuries received in an airplane crash in 1928. The greatest performance of Mrs. Wilson's piscatorial career was placed on the record books recently while she was visiting her island villa near here. In the three months beginning last April, 414 pounds of dynamite and bucking mule concealed beneath the scales of 75 tarpon, fought a losing fight against the slender line and springy pole held by the Philadelphia woman.

Twenty-six of the 75 fish weighed 100 pounds or more. The largest was exactly 144 pounds, and the smallest tarpon in the record catch weighed 35 pounds. The 145-pounder battled Mrs. Wilson for an hour and 45 minutes, clearing the water seven times with its six-foot length in desperate effort to shake off her hook, before the nearly exhausted sportswoman brought her prize catch to gulf with-out assistance.

RAILWAYMEN GO TO SCHOOL.

TECHNICAL CLASSES FOR WORKERS.

The London and North Eastern Railway announce that arrangements have been made for a comprehensive scheme of education for their salaried staff during the coming autumn and winter months.

The scheme includes courses on technical subjects, such as train signaling and passenger and goods accounting, conducted by qualified members of the company's own staff, and the more advanced subjects of railway law, railway economics, railway operating and economic geography.

Universities' Help.

This secondary course is made possible by the co-operation of the Universities of London, Cambridge, Nottingham, Sheffield, Manchester, Leeds, Durham, Edinburgh, Glasgow, St. Andrews, and Aberdeen, under whose auspices classes are held at most of the important centres on the company's system. These classes are optional, but every facility is given to encourage students to attend, in order to improve their knowledge of railway matters.

Last year more than 3,000 L.N.E.R. students took advantage of the courses.

SOME HOME 'SOCCER PROSPECTS.

THE "SPURS" HALF-BACK DOUBTS.

DERBY'S BANK OVERDRAFT AND READING'S STATUS.

SOUTHEND UNITED'S CHANCES.

With all the best intentions in the world, Tottenham Hotspur failed to set the Second Division alight last season; in fact, there were times when the drear shadow of the Third Division cast itself ominously over the classic premises of White Hart-lane. Definitely, it was not one of Tottenham's "years." But supporters of the North Londoners may gather consolation from the fact that their favourites finished far more satisfactorily than they began.

The "Spurs" revival—if one may truly term it a revival—coincided with Harper's return to his native southern air. The ex-Blackburn centre forward is not a player of the pyrotechnical type who bangs six goals into the net on one Saturday. But he is a sound, consistent lender who thoroughly understands his job. It should be noted that in his eleven League appearances for the "Spurs" he notched eleven goals, while in the final of the London Challenge Cup he garnered another three. Fourteen goals in twelve games is good enough for any one.

Tottenham's failure to sail serenely back into the First Division at the first time of asking was disappointing, no doubt, to those behind the guns here. But there is no panic in the Hotspur camp. Only two new players—G. W. Cook, inside forward, from Aston Villa, and T. Meads, left half-back, from Reading—have been signed on. But Mr. Bert Minter has a number of promising colts developing under his tuition.

Substantial Offers.

Reading have now the best class of players on their books since entering the Second Division," said Mr. Andrew Wylie, the manager of the club, in giving his opinion of their prospects for the present season. So far twenty-six players have been signed—thirteen of last season's men, and thirteen newcomers.

Ten of the new players have been obtained from clubs in the premier division of the League, and weaknesses appear to have been strengthened, both in defence and attack. Attention has been paid particularly to the vanguard in the choice of new players, for five of them are forwards, while four are half-backs, three are backs, and one a goalkeeper.

The transfer of T. Meads to Tottenham Hotspur and W. Johnstone to the Arsenal during the close season, has occasioned comment, but it is realised that the club have made good use of substantial transfer fees by the securing of players. Some of these are regarded as excellent captures, particularly Pickering, from Huddersfield, and James, from West Bromwich Albion.

The process of elimination has reduced the number of Scotsmen on the club's list. Last year a complete team of "Northerners" could be placed in the field, but now only five Scotsmen remain on the books—all old players. Satisfaction is generally expressed that, despite substantial offers from prominent clubs, Messrs. Hunter and Oswald have been retained. Messer is freely spoken of as a candidate for international honours during the season.

One First Division club offered Reading a sum running into thousands for their left wing pair, Hunter and Oswald, but they have been told that there is "nothing doing."

Many improvements have been effected at the Elm Park enclosure, which now includes a running track for the players. Additional work has been done on the terrace, and the directors have purchased an adjoining piece of ground, so that new entrances and exits may be made to facilitate the dealing with the large crowds.

To Carry On Unchanged.

All is as well as can be expected in the Derby County camp when allowance is made for financial stress. It was due rather to success in the transfer market than to good "gates" that the club did fairly well last season from a monetary point of view. With a load of debt round their necks—amounting to £20,000—the directors have to proceed warily. That, coupled with the paucity of goal men offered at a reasonable fee, is the reason why no new players have been acquired.

Something will have to be done in that direction, however, if a weakness at outside left is to be remedied. Mees has fully recovered from the attack of typhoid fever which kept him out of the team so long last season, but, Robson having failed to improve in form to the extent expected, an efficient substitute is still needed.

A forward change which will probably be made is the transfer of Bedford to the inside right position, with Bowers in the centre and Ruddy as second choice for that berth. If no fresh player has been signed on, neither has any old player been parted with during the close season.

All the thirty-two men are reported fit, and under Manager Jöbey, and Trainer Laurie Edwards they are shaping sufficiently well to justify confidence that the campaign will prove profitable.

Owing to difficulty in securing delivery of materials, certain projected improvements on the ground have had to be deferred. It has been found possible, however, to comply with a demand for reserved accommodation for holders of the cheaper season tickets, and the playing pitch, which was in very poor condition, has been reurfed.

There was recently a prospect of the club securing a new ground nearer the centre of the town, but the site proved too small for requirements.

Southend Hopeful.

Though Mr. E. L. Birnie, Southend United's secretary-manager, is a man of few words, and would not express any extravagant optimism with regard to his club's prospects for the coming season, he informed a Press representative that he had spent considerably more money this summer in securing new players than in previous years, and hoped for greater success.

Eleven of last season's players were retained in May, and while fresh faces will be seen in the first team, Mr. Birnie has also contrived to get together a good side for the London Combination matches, which are popular at Southend. No fewer than four of the newcomers have been transferred from Merthyr Town, among them T. McKenna, the Welsh club's late player-manager.

Season tickets are being issued for the new stand erected last winter, and also for boys at a reduced rate—a new departure for the club.

Rangers Satisfied.

Several new men will help Queen's Park Rangers to renew their struggle in the race to the Second Division. The Rangers made such strides last season that they kept a place in the first three practically all through the campaign, but two drawn games in the last two engagements following a beating meant a drop to the sixth position. Still, the Rangers, with fewer defeats than any other team, were only two points behind the leaders at the finish.

The ground has undergone alterations which make for more comfort and a better view for those who pay their shillings on the popular side. The sturdy defensive work of Sweetman, who has moved to Millwall, will be missed, but Pierce will carry on at full back, and G. Wiles, of Sittingbourne, may become a sound partner. Cunningham is first choice for the position of goalkeeper, and a fine half-back line can be made up from such stalwarts as "Jack" McNab, Andy Neil, Cockburn, Eggleston, and Yates, lately acquired from the Villa.

Few quails need be felt about the forwards. Goddard—second only to Rennie, of Luton, in the Third Division (Southern) 1927-28 goal scoring list—leads the line; Coward and Whatmore resume their flank positions, and that virile amateur, J. C. Burns, with the indefatigable Rooney, complete an attack capable of extending the best of defences.

If a change becomes necessary, there are new men in Moffatt (Walsall), H. Wiles (Sittingbourne), and Groome (Watford), who will not let the side down.

Norwich Enterprise.

Norwich City, who appointed a new manager in Mr. James Kerr formerly of Coventry and Walsall, only a few weeks before last season ended, have never shown more enterprise in team building. They have signed, during the close season, players they believe will carry them to a higher position in the Third Division than the club has known for many years. New land, which was purchased last December, has been developed and before the season begins will be terraced, adding considerable accommodation on the popular side of the ground.

So far, only one goalkeeper, William Simpson, of Bo'ness, has been engaged, but another is expected soon. Two new backs have been signed to help, Hannah and Richmond, these are Robert Graham, from Luton, and Edward T. Bennett, who has been with Manchester City for three seasons.

Three transfers from Walsall, Mr. Kerr's previous club, include two half-backs, M. J. O'Brien, the Irish international, who was formerly with the "Canaries," and Douglas Lockhead, a left half-back.

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LAWN TENNIS.

C.A.A. TOURNAMENT.

LIM BONG SO REACHES FINAL.

By defeating S. A. Rumjahn 8-10, 6-1, 6-2, and 6-0 in the semi-final of the Singles Championship in the Chinese Athletic Association tournament at the Stadium, North Point, yesterday, Lim Bong So earned the right to meet the winner of the Lo-Honda game, in the finals.

The game opened sensationally, the first set running to eighteen games before it went to the local man. Rumjahn had first service and took the game. It was apparent that both players were anxious to "run away" but that did not happen as the games were very closely fought out.

However, Lim soon settled down and with Rumjahn falling off somewhat in the second set, he annexed it at 6-2. The local player appeared to be tiring, but made a big effort to pull through. He started off very well in the third set but after taking the first two games fell off again and lost the next twelve and with them the match.

A Careful Player.

Lim played a purely baseline game, and was very steady throughout, and although his backhand appeared to be rather weak he took no risks whatever.

It was one of Rumjahn's off-days. He made a gallant effort to recover lost ground in the third set, but the strain told on him and he finished up "all in."

TO-DAY'S GAME.

At the North Point Stadium to-day, M. W. Lo (holder of the Singles Championship) and T. Honda, the Japanese star, will meet in the other semi-final game.

Another half-back from the midlands is William Brown (Wolverhampton Wanderers). The Wolves turned down a big offer for him from Tottenham early last season, and he is regarded as a capture by Norwich.

Several additions to the forwards include another Walsall player, Norman Thompson, who was top scorer in their most successful season in the League. Another capture is J. W. Thompson, from Chelsea.

Youngsters Join the Dell.

Southampton finished fourth in the Second Division table last season, and just missed promotion owing to an unfortunate accident to Billy Haines, their clever centre forward. Mr. W. A. Hammett, the chairman, at the annual meeting, said: "We are out for another trial of strength, and hope to be successful. If it is possible by knowledge and team management to get a team together to win promotion to the First Division it will be done."

Mr. Arthur Chadwick, the manager, has been searching the country for likely youngsters, and Mr. George Goss, the secretary, said to me: "We have no money available to obtain stars, but we have secured some promising young players." One of the best captures is W. Fraser, an inside right from the Tank Corps. Then there is Watson, from Oldham, who will replace Murphy at outside left.

Southampton are well off for extreme left wingers, for they have Cribb and Arnold. Both did well last season, and Arnold, who is qualifying for Hampshire as a cricketer, was the shining light of last season's new men. Other newcomers are Wilfred Shakeshaft, from Shrewsbury, O. Litter, another centre, from Rochdale, described as a splendid shot, and an already sound defence has been strengthened by the acquisition of Albert Roberts, a promising left back from Ardsley. Brady, from Ardreechians, Ryles, and Jewett are all new and capable wing halves.

Two of the retained players, Luckett and Stoddart, showed great promise, and it is pleasing to know that Vernon, who deputised so ably during the absence of Haines, and Rigger H. Coates will again be available. R. H. Wende, who was signed last season, will again appear at outside right, and among the other old hands retained are Albert Shelley, "Mike" Keeping, the captain, "Dick" Rowley, Jerry Mackie, Irish international, Jerry Mackie, Teddy Hough, George Harkus, Stan Woodhouse, J. Bradford, G. Thompson, and W. C. White.

The "Saints" have not had a finer goal-keeper than White since the days of Jack Robinson. He gave confidence to the defence, enabling the backs to do their own work, and so giving the half-backs more time to devote to their forwards.

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WATER POLO.

2 DRAWN GAMES PLAYED YESTERDAY.

K.O.S.B. "A" HOLD CHINESE.

(By "WATERMAN.")

At the V.R.C. bath last night, the Royal Navy drew with the King's Own Scottish Borderers' "B" team and the Chinese "B" drew with the Borderers' "A" team.

In the first match, both teams felt the absence of good forwards and a goalless draw indicates fairly the relative merits of the two teams. The draw between the Chinese "B" and the Borderers' senior team was not on merits, as the Chinese played a better game than the soldiers throughout.

K.O.S.B. "B" v. Royal Navy.

The Navy had much the better of things in the first half, but their forward line were slow in breaking away and consequently lost many good opportunities to score. In the second half the Borderers took the play into the soldiers' territory, and looked as if they were going to do the trick by an odd goal, but the Navy backs held them off and the final whistle arrived with the score sheet blank.

Teams:—K.O.S.B. "B": Branch, Walker, Turner, Kendall, Champellier, Belm, Freeman. Royal Navy: Hampton, Lake, Waghman, Davies, Bashford, Forman, Smith.

K.O.S.B. "A" v. Chinese "B."

The Chinese started in their usual impressive manner in their game against the K.O.S.B. senior, and it did not take long for the versatile Chinese forward, S. H. Wong to put the Chinese team two goals ahead. This he did in an uncertain manner, his goals being the K.O.S.B. custodian all the way.

The soldiers lived up to the second half, however, and a goal came through Finlayson, and later Faulkner sent the soldiers ahead by a third goal, but it was apparent to all that the Chinese were by no means a beaten side, and Leung Shui Man soon drew level for the Chinese.

The fight for the winning goal towards the end of the game was carried on in grim earnest, the Chinese getting much the better of exchanges and were really unlucky to miss the goals on so many occasions.

Teams:—Chinese "B": Ip Kun, Im, Sung, Im, Tak, Fung Kwok Wa, Kwok Fung Sun, Wong Sion King and Teo Soon Wan.

K.O.S.B. "A": Wetland, Macintosh, Faulkner, Wilson, Finlayson, Wilson and Bowden.

Mr. Weyman refereed both games.

The Dell is still being improved, and when the new east stand is completed Southampton will have one of the finest enclosures in the country.

West Ham Confident.

The best wish to express about West Ham Football Club for the forthcoming campaign is that it will not cause the constant changes in the eleven that became necessary last season. One cannot hazard a guess how many Hammers remained sound throughout the campaign, in which they finished sixth from the bottom; but Stanley Earle and Yews only missed one League engagement, and Watson, with thirty goals, stood out as the highest scorer. Ruffell maintained his ability to score from outside left, and earned his cap in all three internationals for the first time.

Barrett had his international career nipped in the bud, but found his form when his damaged knee got right later in the season. He remains the pivot on whom prosperity revolves at Boleyn Castle—and other League grounds—though West Ham did not live up to their peculiarity for doing better away than at home. Almost all the players of note will again come under the scrutiny of C. Paynter, the excellent trainer, but Tate, the goalkeeper, has gone to Doncaster Rovers.

Newcomers are J. Ball and J. Moran, two forwards from Bury. Ball has special ability as a sharp shooter. True to their liking for local amateur talent, the West Ham officials have persuaded A. A. Evans, the Barking Town outside right, to play nearer London. He gained an England amateur cap against Wales last February. About the same time S. W. St. Pier, one of the best amateur centre-halfers rose suddenly to fame, and with R. Wade, the capable full-back, helped to carry off the Amateur Cup after two years' possession by Leyton. Both these fine young players are now in the West Ham camp.

Curiously, the effort to strengthen the defence brought another Wade to Upton Park—"W. A." as from North End—and maybe this new pair will see side by side in front of Hutton, Hodgson, Earl, and Norrington have not as yet applied a satisfactory combined defence, no matter how efficient personally, but the recruits, with such capable half-backs as Collins, Barrett, and Cadwell, and the old set of forwards should ensure the presence of a thoroughly efficient side on all occasions.

U.S. BASEBALL.

CHICAGO BEATEN BY PHILLIES.

NEW YORK, September 12. Chicago's winning streak in the National League was interrupted to-day when the Phillies administered a 7-4 trimming, but with a percentage of .679 as compared with the .569 of the Pirates runners-up, the Cubs had nothing to lose sleep over.

The following are the detailed results of the games:—

American League.

Clubs.	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	2	9	3
Boston	1	8	2
St. Louis	2	8	1
New York	5	11	1
Chicago	3	11	4
Philadelphia	4	10	1
Cleveland	5	13	1
Washington	7	7	1

National League.

Clubs.	R.	H.	E.
New York	8	11	0
Birmingham	5	12	2
Brooklyn	2	5	2
Cincinnati	3	12	0
Philadelphia	7	11	0
Chicago	1	7	1

American League.

Clubs.	W.	L.	Pct.
Philadelphia	24	44	.591
New York	23	57	.577
Cleveland	22	62	.534
Detroit	20	65	.518
Washington	13	73	.433
Chicago	13	73	.433
Boston	10	88	.392

National League.

Clubs.	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	21	43	.679
Pittsburgh	20	50	.669
New York	21	51	.545
St. Louis	16	66	.500
Brooklyn	16	74	.451
Philadelphia	11	74	.451
Cincinnati	17	77	.425
Boston	11	82	.382

MAKING GOOD AMERICANS.

HUMBLE LIFE FILM AT THE QUEEN'S.

"Heart of a Nation," showing at the Queen's Theatre to-day is something of an educational film and should be of great interest to all students of American psychology and sociology. It depicts how the United States takes to its heart the aliens who used to fly to her (in pre-quota days) from less happy lands, and turns them into loyal sons of the land of the Star Spangled Banner. There are some amusing scenes between the younger and older generations of three families, Italian, German and Russian who have settled in the poorer part of New York. We are shown their little quarrels and reconciliations and then we have glimpses of the old people gamely attending a night school and being taught appropriate uplift by a very tactful young schoolmaster.

The war casts its shadows, and one lad is killed in saving the life of his sister's aristocratic fiancé. We then have a charming version of the cinderella story as enacted in democratic America. Acting and photography in the slow and steady manner of the American working class drama as presented here periodically by the Wilbur players.

Hong Kong cinema audiences have a very detailed knowledge of all phases of American life, and some idea of Ruritania. England remains the unknown country and was not "the Flag Lieutenant," the last English film to be shown here.

The programme also includes an Our Gang film, which is always good fun, and some Felix adventures.

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LAWN BOWLS.

INTERPORT PRACTICE TO-DAY.

SPEY CUP PROGRESS.

Club Secretaries are requested to expedite their matches in the Spey Cup series.

On the K.B.G.C. ground yesterday, Kowloon Dock eliminated the Police by winning 21-11. They next play Club de Recreo and the winner will meet Tai Koo in the last meeting before the semi-final.

In the lower half, Craigengower play Kowloon B.G.C., and the winner meets Civil Service for the other semi-finalist.

Electric R.C., the Yacht Club, Kowloon C.C., and the Police are now out of the competition. An Inter-port practice game has been arranged to take place on the Civil Service Club green at 4.30 p.m. to-day.

The tennis will be:—
1. J. Laing 1. F. Cullen
2. R. Bosa 2. W. Mair
3. A. W. Grimmer 3. U. Omar
4. J. Ferguson 4. S. Gray

FORBES RUSSELL CO.

"THE PATSY."

There was not a very good house at the Theatre Royal last night when the Forbes Russell Company produced "The Patsy." It is a typical American domestic play, quite innocuous, mainly about people quarrelling, and with hardly any action. It is a pity the Forbes Russell Company is not putting on better plays and English plays. We do not necessarily mean "high-brow stuff," but the efficient type of English crowd or society play such as Noel Coward, Lonsdale and Edgar Wallace are turning out. The Bannard Company filled the Star Theatre, Kowloon, by such productions.

If the royalties are too heavy why not the plays of Pinero, Conan Doyle and Wilde, whose works are a never failing draw? Actually the Second Mrs. Tanqueray does appear on Thursday, but it is disappointing that an English Company of real competence has gone in for rather poor translations from the French and German and American successes, which very seldom come off with British audiences.

HOME FOOTBALL.

WEST HAM LOSE AT HOME.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Sept. 16. Results of football matches played to-day were as follows:—

Division I.

Blackburn	4	Newcastle	2
Huddersfield	3	Liverpool	0
Leeds	2	Everton	1
West Ham	0	Birmingham	1

Division II.

Cardiff	3	Notts County	0
Hull	2	Southampton	0
Millwall	1	Bradford	0
Oldham	3	Barnsley	2
Swansea	0	Reading	1

Division III (South).

Clapton O.	1	Brentford	1
Luton	2	Gillingham	0
Norwich	3	Walsall	0
Queen's P.R.	0	Fulham	0
Southend	1	Northampton	2
Swindon	1	Coventry	1

Division III (North).

Halifax	2	Doncaster	0
Lincoln	3	Port Vale	2

MINDANAO BEAT JAPANESE.

JAPANESE.

YESTERDAY'S GAME AT NAVY FIELD.

In a six-inning set-to at the Navy Field, Caroline Hill, the ball team from the U.S.S. Mindanao beat the Japanese Baseball Club 4-1. The Japanese opened the scoring in the second inning but in the third stanza, Carter socked a three-bagger, scoring two ahead and a further two in the same frame gave them a 4-1 lead which they held till the end of the game.

CHINESE AT PRACTICE.

Some of the Chinese baseballers were again at practice in their own field at Caroline Hill and it is evident that they are leaving nothing to chance in their attempt to re-capture the shield.

On Wednesday, September 25, the Japanese will again cross bats with the Mindanao. The game is scheduled to go seven innings and will start at 4.30 p.m.

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GERMAN HEAVYWEIGHT'S THREAT.

New York.—United States supremacy in boxing is seriously being threatened by the horde of foreigners who are flocking to these shores to get a finger in the "big dough pie." Scarcely a week goes by but that some new outstanding challenger arrives from a foreign port.

In every division of boxing may be seen the names of foreigners who are well on the top of the list and making serious threats for the titles in their respective class.

Foremost among the foreign invaders is Max Schmeling, German heavyweight who recently defeated Paulino Uzcudun in fifteen rounds at the Yankee Stadium, New York. Schmeling, although now suspended by the New York State Athletic Commission for failing to fulfill a contract for his services held by Humbert Fugazy still is the leading heavyweight threat. It is hoped by all boxing fans that the ban on Schmeling may soon be lifted as the German is one of the greatest box office attractions that could possibly be offered on an Autumn boxing show.

Some Top-Notchers.

Victorio Campolo, Argentine heavyweight; Tom Heeney, New Zealander who is making an attempt at a comeback; Otto Von Pamat, Norwegian battler who recently scored a knockout victory over K. O. Christner of Ohio; Paulino Uzcudun, who will make a valiant attempt to return to his old form; Ricardo Bertazzolo, Italian heavyweight who has made a good showing in his few starts here; Salvatore Ruggieri, another Italian who knocked out Mike San-kovitch, vulnerable Polish scrapper, in his United States debut; Dr. Ludwig Haymann, a German fighter who is being hailed as another Max Schmeling are but a few of the top notchers in the heavyweight class who are not Americans.

The light-heavyweight class is one that has not felt the foreign invasion as keenly as the heavy-weight. Many are of the opinion that with the retirement of Tommy Loughran, former light-heavyweight champion, to the heavyweight class, the foreign as well as the domestic invasion of that class will soon begin. There are really no foreign or domestic light-heavyweights who at the present time can come within a shot at the light-heavyweight championship.

The middleweight class has few noteworthy foreigners in it with the exception of one—Rene De Vos who is considered second only to the champion, Mickey Walker. De Vos has been fighting in this country for quite some time. He is a Belgian. Promoters are trying to get Walker to defend his title against Rene but Mickey is somewhat reluctant about staking his title in a bout with the popular Belgian.

Welterweights as Well.

The welterweight division, like the light heavyweight, has no outstanding foreign invader. The one explanation offered for this has been the unwillingness of Joe Dundee, former welterweight champion, to defend his crown. With the champion's inactivity, interest has lagged in this class. Then along came Jackie Fields of California and defeated Dundee. The latter part of July and the welterweight title finally changed hands. Many are hoping that the new champion will prove more active than Dundee thereby awakening a new interest in the class that has produced some of the best fighters that ever stepped into the squared ring. Hilario Martinez of Spain and Arthur Shackels of Belgium are the best known foreigners in the welterweight division.

The light-heavyweight division is now beginning to feel the effects of foreign invaders. Among the group of formidable contenders for Sammy Mandell's lightweight title are Luis Vincenzini, Chilean lightweight; Lope Tenorio, Philippine scrapper who has always pleased New York fight fans with his aggressiveness; Hubert Gillis, Belgian lightweight who is just beginning to show his ability; and Gaston Le Cardre, French fighter of whom big things are expected.

The junior welterweight division, although not recognized as an official world's title, is producing some excellent foreign fighters. Jack "Kid" Berg, London, Linchouse District battler, recently defeated Mushy Callahan, the junior-welterweight champion in a one-sided contest at Ebbets Field. The fight was over the weight limit of the junior-welterweight class so Callahan continues to reign as champion. Efforts are being made to rematch them, this time in a titular bout and boxing experts are predicting a new junior-welterweight champion—the smiling, happy go lucky lad from London.

Junior Lightweights.

Stanislav Lonyaza of Chile, who recently held Berg to a ten-round draw in one of the fiercest and

bloodiest battles that has been seen in these parts in some time, is also a leading junior welterweight.

The junior-lightweight division, of which Ted Morgan is champion, is also another title that is not recognized internationally. This is one of the reasons the foreign invasion in its ranks has not been so large. Ignacio Fernandez of the Philippines, Sylvio Mireault of Canada, Joe "Kid" Nieves of Porto Rico, Alf Ros of Spain and Ascension Ramirez of Mexico are the best known foreigners in this division.

The featherweight division rivals the heavyweight in having a great number of foreign title aspirants in its ranks. The champion is Andre Routsis of France. Routsis was recently knocked out by Al Singer of New York in the second round of an over-the-weight contest at Ebbets Field. Singer and Routsis will in all probability be rematched and predictions are being made that little Al Singer of the Bronx will be the next world's featherweight champion.

And the Flyweights.

Kid Chocolate, plucky Cuban, ranks highest in the featherweight class as being the leading foreign attraction. His presence on a boxing card attracts the fans to attend like a magnet draws a piece of steel toward it. He is one of the most popular fighters in New York City. Efforts to match Singer with Routsis fail. Humbert J. Fugazy will attempt to have Chocolate meet Al some time in August, the winner to meet Routsis for the title. Fans are hopeful that the latter plan goes through as they are anxious to see the plucky Cuban cross gloves with the game Al Singer.

Antonio Asencion, Spanish glove tosser, Santiago Zorilla of Cuba, Kid La Rosa also of Cuba and Marcel Thill of France are the remaining leading foreign featherweight contenders.

The National Boxing Association's recognized champion—Al Brown is from Panama. He is not legally recognized as the world's bantamweight champion but only by the National Association. Vidy Gregorio, Spanish bantam, who Brown recently defeated in fifteen rounds, Emile Pladner of France, Pete Sanetol of Norway, Kid Francis of Italy, Young Nationalista of the Philippines, San Sanchez of Mexico and Teddy Balduck of England are but a few of the host of foreign invaders now fighting in the bantamweight ranks.

The flyweight division is in such a muddle as to who is champion that interest in this division has lagged. Corporal Izzy Schwartz is recognized by the New York State Athletic Commission as their flyweight champion. Efforts are being made to match Schwartz with Black flyweight championship, in a title bout, Frenchy Belanger, Canada; Speedy Dado, Filipino; and Blas Rodriguez of Cuba are some of the leading foreign flyweights.

THE PRICE OF A BOY.

DECIDED BY SWISS
FEDERAL COURT.

The Swiss Federal Court at Lausanne has just had to settle the delicate question of the "marketable value" of a ten-year-old boy, who had been knocked down and killed by a motor-car.

Besides the sum of forty pounds granted to him by the Court, his father asked for a further indemnity on the ground that his son would have been able to assist him in his old age. After very complicated calculations and with due consideration to all future possibilities and probabilities, the Court allowed him a grant of ten francs a month from his sixtieth year onward. The present value of his old-age pension was fixed at 350 francs.

RAFFLES COLLEGE.

CHINESE SUPPORTING THE
CLIFFORD FUND.

IPOH, Sept. 5.

The Chinese community of Taiping held a meeting with the object of giving support to Sir Hugh Clifford's appeal for Raffles College.

It was decided to take steps to solicit contributions from members of the community and the first day's contributions amounted to \$1,000.

Over 12 guilds have promised to subscribe. It is believed that a substantial sum will be collected soon. The success of the meeting was largely due to the efforts of Dr. Saw Ah Choy and Mr. Lim Sam Kip, who are Justices of the Peace at Taiping.

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ENGLAND.

LESSON IN SPEED.

The Lord Chief Justice (Lord Hewart), Mr. Justice Avory, and Mr. Justice Branson, in scarlet robes and wigs, presided over the business of the Court of Criminal Appeal recently in front of a professional audience of fifty American judges and barristers.

"Speed," said Mr. Robert Alexander Hefner, justice of the Supreme Court of Oklahoma, "is something you folks understand. You chaps got through more work there this morning than we could do in a week."

Lord Hewart, in the great red-leather armchair, sat between his brother judges. Mr. Justice Avory was on his right and Mr. Justice Branson on his left, peering out from under white bushy eyebrows. He rose from his seat from time to time to hold a dignified, whispered, three-cornered consultation.

Row upon row of judges and lawyers from the United States sat before them, some making notes, others almost statueque in wrapt attention, following every move, every stage of procedure, every word, as the business of the court went on.

Four English prototypes of the American car bandits stood in the dock between two warders to hear the result of their appeal against a sentence of three years' penal servitude.

Nineteen Burglaries.

"These men," said Lord Hewart, slowly, reading from papers before him, "have committed nineteen burglaries between May 25 and June 1. The sentence is important, for in each case they used a motor-car—a rapidly growing form of crime that is a definite menace."

He dealt with each man in turn. The youngest, a youth of nineteen, was sent to Borstal for three years instead of to prison.

"The length of time this young man remains there will depend entirely on himself. In any case, it cannot be longer than three years."

The next, a young man of twenty-three, had his penal sentence reduced to twelve months' imprisonment. The third was sentenced to fifteen months with hard labour. The sentence of the last man, thirty-five years of age, who was called "the ringleader," was allowed to stand.

"Thus, these four men will be released at different times," said Lord Hewart, "a thing that is desirable."

The appeal was over in ten minutes, and the next man, an habitual criminal, who had spent more than forty of his sixty years of life in prison, came before the court.

"Where You Beat Us."

"That's where you beat us," said Judge Hefner, from Oklahoma. "That gang started work at the end of May. They were arrested at the beginning of June, tried, convicted, sentenced, and the appeal is over in July."

"Why," he said, with obvious wonder, "it would take us three years."

There was no doubt that the judges sitting on appeal were fully aware of their audience and their keen examination of every stage of the court procedure. Rarely has a court been so quiet, seldom has there been so little delay, and no court has ever looked more awesome and more colourful.

"We do not use gowns and wigs out in Oklahoma," said Judge Hefner, "but they sure look fine. I like the way the attorneys are dressed, too."

"We gotta change out there, and I want to learn how you people manage things the way you do."

The party of American judges and barristers will spend some time in England studying the procedure of English courts. They will visit France and Italy as well. All of them come from seven States in the Middle West of America.

"When we go back," one of them said, "we've got something to tell those folks at home."

OWEN SOUND ELEVATOR.

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["D.P." Special Service.]

Owen Sound, Ont.—The Great Lakes Elevator Company, Limited, is doubling the capacity of the Owen Sound elevator, to 4,000,000 bushels at a cost of \$400,000. The new addition, it is pointed out, is to be ready for shipment of grain in the fall, work commencing almost immediately.

Owen Sound's bid for a share in the grain handling business of the Great Lakes has already been productive of splendid results as it is stated that the first two units of the elevator handled over 12,000,000 bushels of grain last year. These were built at a cost of \$700,000 largely financed locally, the directors and officers of the company all being Owen Sound men.

Money and Markets

CHILEAN PROGRESS.

REMARKABLE DEVELOPMENT.

To-day (September 18) is the 15th anniversary of the independence of the Chilean Republic, and an appropriate occasion to review the present financial and industrial condition of the country.

Mainly owing to the energetic action of the Government of President Ibanez, the financial and economic position of Chile shows a great improvement, and there is every indication that the progress made in 1928 will this year not only be maintained, but be considerably augmented as the reforms introduced by the Government make their influence fully felt.

The improvement effected in the financial position alone is remarkable. Whereas for several years previously Government expenditure exceeded income, sometimes by very considerable amounts, last year there was a favourable balance of about £1,000,000—nearly double the amount anticipated by the Finance Minister when he framed his Budget estimates for 1928. This year it is calculated the revenue will be £27,575,000 and expenditure £26,775,000, the Minister of Finance anticipating a surplus of £1,300,000.

Prosperity Reviewed.

The improved financial position has had an important influence on the economic situation in Chile. That, together with the reforms initiated by the Government, and revival of the nitrate industry, has brought about the dawn of an era of prosperity such as the country has not known for many years past. A general feeling of confidence is felt in commercial and industrial circles; trade generally has improved and there is every indication that it will continue to make headway.

That there is ground for the assumption that the progress made last year will continue is shown by the fact that Customs returns for the first month of 1929 showed receipts totalling £1,650,000,000, as compared with £1,365,000 for the corresponding period of 1928. Import duties very considerably increased to £725,018, as compared with £474,000 in January of last year. Deposits in commercial

banks have increased to over £7,500,000 while those in savings banks have been augmented from £1,000,000 in 1927 to £3,025,000 in 1928. The value of real estate in Chile has increased to just over £350,000,000.

This year the Chilean Government is spending £5,625,000 on the carrying out of a public works programme, the money being obtained by a series of loans to be raised in London, New York and in Chile. The internal loan for £225,000 has just been floated, and was many times over-subscribed. Of the £5,625,000 to be disbursed, £1,730,000 will be expended on sundry projects, including road making; £1,632,000 on port works, £1,175,000 on buildings, £263,000 on railways and £450,000 on irrigation works.

A READER'S APPRECIATION.

The following letter was received last week from a grateful reader:—

"Dear Kufan,—I beg to inform you that I have found your advice extremely valuable and helpful, and consequently I am very thankful to you."

Key Industries.

Of the key industries of Chile, mining made substantial progress during last year, especially copper. The high price of this metal, lately prevailing, led to a great stimulus of production and Chile's part in supplying the world with copper established a record, the total production in 1928 being 270,000 tons, 30 per cent. more than had ever been produced previously. The coal industry is in a less favourable position than any other business in Chile in spite of the fact that recently a heavy tax was imposed on imported fuel. Production declined last year and is still on the downward grade.

Agriculture, the leading industry of the country, is making a very substantial advance. During

the season 1928-29 the area devoted to wheat was augmented by 29.27 per cent. The total area of land under cereal cultivation in Chile has increased during the past twelve months by about 40 per cent. Under Government auspices an agricultural bank began to function a few months ago and has already made advances to agriculturists totalling £1,000,000. The bank lends money up to 65 per cent. of the value of rural property for a term not exceeding five years, the loans to be used for farm improvement, the purchase of live stock or of farm equipment.

The Government is also paying special attention to the irrigation of farms lands, and have on hand schemes involving a total outlay of £4,000,000. The Ministry of Agriculture is also establishing eight agricultural experimental stations at a total cost of £50,000. In Southern Chile this season farmers commenced the extensive cultivation of hemp, the seed being provided by the Government, which is also giving encouragement to the growing of flax and sugar beet on a considerable scale.

The unemployment difficulty brought about by the decline of the nitrate industry about a couple of years ago has now not only been got over, owing to the augmented activity of nearly all branches of industry, but there is an increasing shortage of labour, and the situation promises to become acute during this year as the Government's public works programme is developed. It may be mentioned that many of the men have been absorbed in other industries, and are being replaced by labourers from Peru.

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["D.P." Special Service.]

Simcoe, Ont.—Construction is expected to start within 30 days on a new factory to be erected here for the American Can Company. It is reported that it will cost \$1,000,000 and employ 200 people. The initial step was taken when the town council approved an agreement between the Board of Education and the company for the purchase by the latter of the Old Central school property.

Plans for the new factory follow the recent acquisition by American Can of the Canadian Cannery plant at Simcoe.

CANTON SILK REVIVAL.

EXPORT FIGURES FOR 19 MONTHS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, September 17.

After being for several years on the decline the silk industry of Kwangtung is again thriving. The industry appears to be on its way towards regaining its former prestige and its world markets—thanks to the Kwangtung Bureau for the Improvement of Silk and the encouragement and the help of the Government. Through the Bureau, which is in Lingnan University, many improvements have been introduced. The silk worm rears have been taught to use only disease-free eggs, such as those supplied by the Government Bureau. Huge quantities of pamphlets containing directions for raising raw silk of the best quality have been distributed to people engaged in the industry and these efforts of the government have gradually borne fruit as shown by the following data of the export of raw silk from Kwangtung during 1928 and the first 8 months of the present year:—

Month.	1928.	1929.
January	4,338	3,179
February	3,604	4,549
March	4,707	4,550
April	4,212	4,558
May	3,588	7,840
June	3,000	3,335
July	3,068	3,196
August	4,550	9,196
September	6,033	..
October	4,507	..
November	2,733	..
December	4,108	..
Total	39,020	..

* Not yet available.

Recent buyers have largely been Americans. The New York manufacturers alone bought 4,352 bales of raw silk from Canton during last May. The next biggest buyer is France. The amount of raw silk purchased by England is insignificant as compared with the United States and France.

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
TUESDAY, SEPT. 17.							
Banks							
1,230	...	1,235	...	H.K. Banks	...	1,235	...
204	...	...	2129	Do. (London)	...	...	...
...	...	...	232	Chartered Banks	...	...	191
...	...	...	218	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	234
...	...	...	694	Do. "C"	...	...	216
...	...	...	...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	500
Insurance							
...	...	...	5630	Canton Ins.	...	...	5630
...	...	...	3	Underwriters	1,90	...	...
1160	...	...	...	North China	...	...	1160
340	...	...	550	Union Ins.	337	...	338
...	...	...	...	Yangtze Ins.	...	...	500
310	...	...	...	China Fires	310	...	...
750	...	...	...	H.K. Fires	750	...	...
Shipping							
25	...	...	527	Doingses	25	25	...
...	...	...	...	Steamboats	...	...	24
...	...	...	...	Indos (pref.)	...	...	50
...	...	...	...	Do. (def.)	...	...	90
...	...	...	100	Shell Transports	100	...	...
...	...	...	...	Water-boats	...	21	...
Mining							
33.35	...	...	62/6	Benquets	...	...	63/6
...	...	...	T.14	Kailans	...	...	T.16
...	...	...	T.9	Langkats (comb.)	...	...	T.9
...	...	...	T.140	Do. (single)	...	...	T.14
...	...	...	...	Explorations	...	...	T.14
...	...	...	...	Shanghai Loans	...	...	T.14
...	...	...	...	Raubs	...	...	24
...	...	...	...	Tronch Mines	...	...	18
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.							
130	...	...	...	H.K. & K. Wharfs	129	...	...
4.45	...	...	...	Providents	...	...	4.55
322	...	...	...	H.K. Docks	322	...	...
1.145	...	...	...	Shanghai Docks	1.150	...	...
7.90	...	...	...	New Engineering	7.10	...	...
...	...	...	...	Hongkows	...	...	...
Cotton Mills							
...	...	...	...	Ewos	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Shai. C'ons (old)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
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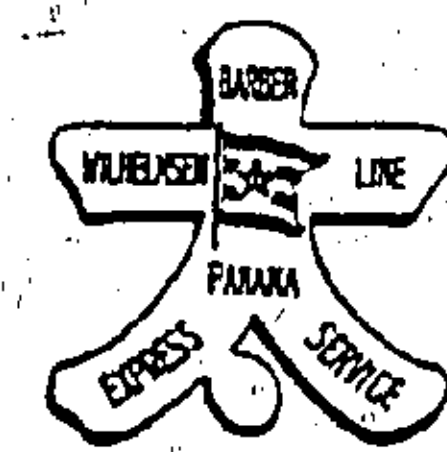
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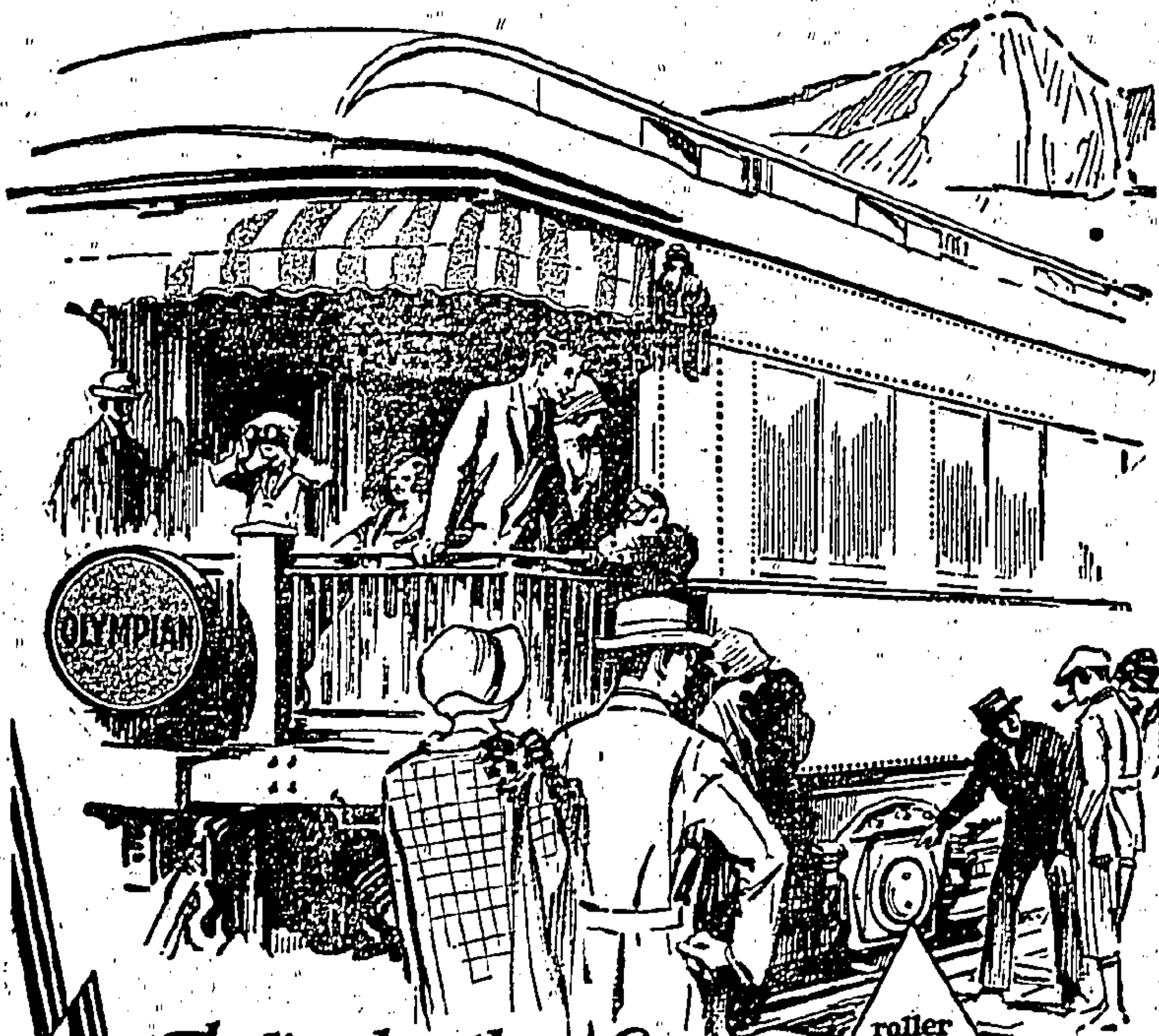
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Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 21.
Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.
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Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 23.
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Changte, B. & S., Oct. 19.

BALTI PORTS.

Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.

BALTIMORE.

City of Norwich, Bank, Oct. 6.

BANGKOK.

Kiungchow, B. & S., Sept. 19.
Hingang, Thoresen, Sept. 22.
Kungang, B. & S., Sept. 22.
Kweiyang, B. & S., Sept. 25.
Kaying, B. & S., Sept. 29.
Hiram, Thoresen, Sept. 30.

BELAWAN DELI.

Coblentz, Melchers, Sept. 20.
Cremor, J.C.J.L., Sept. 23.
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BOMBAY.

Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 27.
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BOSTON.

Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, Sept. 26.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 1.
City of Norwich, Bank, Oct. 6.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 8.
Imperial Prince, Furness, Oct. 10.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 11.

BREMEN.

Coblentz, Melchers, Sept. 20.
Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.
Franken, Melchers, Oct. 11.

BRINDISI.

Duchessa d'Aosta, Dodwell's, Oct. 5.
Esquilino D'well's, Oct. 15.

CALCUTTA.

Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 20.
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Genoa Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 9.
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CEBU.

Tacoma, S.S.S., Sept. 18.
Iowa, S.S.S., Sept. 19.
C'den, Dragon, S.S.S., Sept. 30.
Kentucky, S.S.S., Oct. 2.

CHEFOO.

Huichow, B. & S., Sept. 18.
Kueichow, B. & S., Sept. 19.

COLOMBO.

Coblentz, Melchers, Sept. 20.
Burgeland, Jelsen, Sept. 21.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 21.
Sphinx, M.M., Sept. 22.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 27.
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Glenapp, Jardine's, Oct. 2.
Duchessa d'Aosta, Dodwell's, Oct. 5.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 5.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 6.
Angers, M. & M., Oct. 8.
Preussen, Jelsen, Oct. 8.
Awa Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 11.
Franken, Melchers, Oct. 11.
Karmala, P. & O., Oct. 12.
Esquilino D'well's, Oct. 13.
Mirzapore, P. & O., Oct. 16.
Vogtland, Jelsen, Oct. 16.
Glenahiel, Jardine's, Oct. 17.

OPENHAGEN.

Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.

DALY.

Liangchow, B. & S., Sept. 18.
Vogtland, Jelsen, Sept. 18.
Bismonten, Bank, Sept. 19.
Aeneas, B.F., Sept. 21.
Fulda, Melchers, Sept. 24.
Chennan, B. & S., Sept. 25.
Duisburg, Jelsen, Sept. 27.

DUTCH PORTS.

Coblentz, Melchers, Sept. 20.
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City of Pekin, Bank, Oct. 9.
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FOOCHOW.

Huichow, B. & S., Sept. 18.
Haining, Douglas, Sept. 20.
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GENOA.

Coblentz, Melchers, Sept. 20.
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Canton, M.M., Sept. 13.
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Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 18.
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JAPAN PORTS.

Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 18.
Vogtland, Jelsen, Sept. 18.
Glenhuc, Jardine's, Sept. 19.
Nagato Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 19.
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Africa, Manners, Sept. 25.
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Duisburg, Jelsen, Sept. 27.
Kalyan, P. & O., Sept. 27.
Carnavonshire, Jardine's, Sept. 28.
Aeneas, B.F., Sept. 30.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Oct. 1.
Rosandra, D'well's, Oct. 1.
Talamba, B.I., Oct. 1.
Yuenang, Jardine's, Oct. 1.
Formosa, Gilman's, Oct. 2.
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Tathibius, B.F., Oct. 5.
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KALAMANG.

Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 18.
Pennsylvania, S.S.S., Sept. 20.
Illinois, S.S.S., Sept. 28.

KARACHI.

Calulu, Dodwell's, Sept. 27.
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MARSEILLES.

Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 20.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 21.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
Sphinx, M.M., Sept. 22.
Hector, B.F., Oct. 2.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 5.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 6.
Angers, M. & M., Oct. 8.
Franken, Melchers, Oct. 11.
Karmala, P. & O., Oct. 12.
Menelaus, B.F., Oct. 13.

NAPLES.

Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 21.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 5.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 6.

NEWORANGE.

Liangchow, B. & S., Sept. 18.
Ningpo, B. & S., Sept. 19.
Chipping, Jardine's, Sept. 24.
Chennan, B. & S., Sept. 25.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, Oct. 4.

NEW YORK, BOSTON, etc.

Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, Sept. 26.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 1.
City of Norwich, Bank, Oct. 6.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 6.
Imperial Prince, Furness, Oct. 10.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 11.

NORTH CHINA.

Fulda, Melchers, Sept. 21.
Duisburg, Jelsen, Sept. 27.
Main, Melchers, Oct. 3.

OSLO.

Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.

PANAMA.

Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 24.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 1.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 11.

PENANG.

Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 21.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
Cremor, J.C.J.L., Sept. 22.
Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 20.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 27.
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 28.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Oct. 2.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 5.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 6.
Genoa Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 9.
Tilawa, B.I., Oct. 9.
Aki Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 20.
Toyoko Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 20.
Fulda, Melchers, Sept. 21.
Namsang, Jardine's, Sept. 22.
Yokohama Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 23.
General Metzinger, M.M., Sept. 24.
Yokoro, P. & O., Sept. 24.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., Sept. 24.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 24.
Africa, Manners, Sept. 25.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., Sept. 25.
Kumsang, Jardine's, Sept. 25.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 27.
Duisburg, Jelsen, Sept. 27.
Kalyan, P. & O., Sept. 27.
Carnavonshire, Jardine's, Sept. 28.
Aeneas, B.F., Sept. 30.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Oct. 1.
Rosandra, D'well's, Oct. 1.
Talamba, B.I., Oct. 1.
Yuenang, Jardine's, Oct. 1.
Formosa, Gilman's, Oct. 2.
Main, Melchers, Oct. 3.
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PORTLAND.

Pennsylvania, S.S.S., Sept. 20.
Illinois, S.S.S., Sept. 28.

RABAT.

Calulu, D'well's, Sept. 27.

RANGOON.

Genoa Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 9.

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HONGKONG, SHANGHAI & BANGKOK	"KIUNGCHOW" ... On 18th Sept.	10 a.m.
SWATOW, FOOCHOW, TIENTSIN & NEWCHANG	"NINGPO" ... On 20th Sept.	10 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIKONG	"CHENGTO" ... On 20th Sept.	11 a.m.
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	"NANSHANG" ... On 20th Sept.	3 p.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & BANGKOK	"ANHUI" ... On 22nd Sept.	8 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SOOCHOW" ... On 22nd Sept.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KIANGSU" ... On 22nd Sept.	Noon
SHANGHAI	"LUOW" ... On 22nd Sept.	2 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SEANTUNG" ... On 24th Sept.	10 a.m.
HONGKONG, SHANGHAI & BANGKOK	"KWEITANG" ... On 24th Sept.	10 a.m.
AMOI, SHAL, N'CHOW & DALNY	"CHENAN" ... On 24th Sept.	8 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"SUIVANG" ... On 24th Sept.	8 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW" ... On 24th Sept.	10 a.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KAYING" ... On 24th Sept.	11 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"ANKING" ... On 24th Sept.	Noon
SWATOW, AMOI, SWATOW & S'PORE	"ANKING" ... On 24th Sept.	5 p.m.

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STATION	Barometer at Sea Level	Inches	Millibars	Temperature	Humidity	Wind	Direction	Force	Rainfall	Barometer at Sea Level	Inches	Millibars	Temperature	Humidity	Wind	Direction	Force	Rainfall
Vladivostok ...	29.65	753.2	61	N	1	c				29.92	760.0	53						
Nemuro ...	29.67	753.5	61	SW	3					29.63	752.5		WSW	1				
Hokodate ...	29.69	754.0		SW	3					29.73	755.0		NNW	1				
Tokio ...	29.76	756.0			0					29.88	759.0		NW	1				
Kochi ...	29.84	758.0		SW	1								WSW	1				
Nagasaki ...	29.86	758.0		WNW	3					30.08	764.0							
Kagoshima ...	29.86	758.0		NW	2					30.02	762.5		NNW	0				
Oshima ...	29.88	758.5		NNE	1					30.00	762.0		NE	0				
Naha ...	29.86	758.0		NNE	3					29.84	759.5		E	2				
Ishigaki ...	29.86	758.0		ENE	2					29.98	761.5							
Bonin Island ...	29.86	758.0		S	1					29.95	760.7		S	1				
Shanghai ...	30.05	763.2	86	NW	4	b				30.05	763.5	81	NE	1				
Gutzlaff ...	30.11	764.8	80	ENE	1	b				30.11	764.8	73	ESE	4				
Sharp Peak ...	29.94	760.3	81	ENE	2	c				29.96	761.0	78	ENE	4				
Amoy ...	29.87	758.7	84	E	4	c				29.91	759.7	78	N	4				
Swatow ...	29.91	759.6	83	E	2	c				29.92	759.9	73	E	2				
Taihou ...	29.97	761.1	84	E	4	c				29.98	759.0	75	E	4				
Taihu ...	29.92	759.9	86	NNW	4	b				29.96	758.4	75						
Tainan ...	29.92	759.9	90	SW	2	b				29.89	759.2	77	NE	4				
Koshun ...	29.92	759.9	88	NE	2	b				29.86	758.4	79	NNW	4				
Pescadore ...	29.91	759.6	88	NNE	4	b				29.88	758.9	79	E	4				
Hong Kong ...	29.85	758.1	84	E	3	c				29.86	758.4		ENE	4				
Gap Rock ...	29.87	758.7		E	2	b				29.85	758.1	79	ESE	2				
Macao ...	29.85	758.1	80	SE	2	c				29.87	758.7	78	SE	2				
Hoihow ...	29.91	759.7	86	SE	2	b				29.87	758.7	78	SE	2				
Pratas Island ...	29.87	758.7	86	E	1	c				29.85	758.1	77	SE	4				
Phulien ...	29.79	756.6	73	SSW	2	b				29.81	757.2	77	SSW	2				
Touraine ...	29.79	756.6	86	SE	2	b				29.82	757.5	75						
Cape St. James ...	29.81	757.2	84	SSW	2	b				29.82	757.5	81	NE	2				
Basco ...	29.81	757.2	84	NE	4	c				29.79	756.6	79	ENE	2				
Apurri ...	29.79	756.6	82	SW	2	b				29.79	756.6	77	NNW	1				
Tuguegarao ...	29.74	756.4	86	NNW	2	b				29.76	756.0	77	SW	1				
Vigan ...	29.74	756.4	86	SW	2	b				29.71	754.5	77	SW	1				
Manila ...	29.73	756.1	86	SW	2	b				29.71	754.5	77	SW	1				
Legaspi ...	29.69	755.4	80	NNE	2	c				29.71	754.5	77	SW	1				
Calbayog ...	29.71	755.4	82	N	1	c				29.73	755.1	77	N	2				
Tacloban ...	29.74	755.4	82	SW	2	c				29.74	755.4	79	SW	2				
Iloilo ...	29.74	755.4	82	SW	2	c				29.71	754.5	79	SW	2				
Cebu ...	29.72	754.8	86	SSE	2	c				29.71	754.5	79	SW	2				
Surigao ...	29.72	754.8	82	WSW	4	c				29.85	758.2	74	SE	2				
Saipan ...	29.22	757.6		NE	4	c				29.86	758.4	77	NNW	2				
Guam ...	12.22	29.76	755.0							29.86	758.4	77	SSE	1				
Yap ...	11.00	29.84	757.8							29.86	758.4	77	NW	1				
Pelew ...										29.86	758.4	77						
Ponape ...										29.86	758.4	77						
Labuan ...	14	29.81	757.2	85	W	2	b			29.86	758.4	77						

September 17d. 10h. 40m.—The anticyclone is central to the south of Korea; depressions are situated to the north-east of Hokkaido, and to the east of the Visayas. Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.18 inch. Total since January 1, 1928 inches, against an average of 71.74 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON SEPTEMBER 18.

- 1.—Formosa Channel ... N.E. winds, moderate.
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamoocks ... E. winds, moderate; fair to showery.
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock ... E. winds, moderate; fair to showery.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan ... E. winds, moderate; fair to showery.

C. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, September 17.

Previous On	Date On	At
Day	at	at
2 p.m.	10 a.m.	4 p.m.

Barometer ...	29.84	29.93	29.84
Temperature ...	82	81	82
Humidity ...	88	78	73
Wind ...	E	E	E
Direction ...	E	E	E
Force ...	0	0	0
Weather ...	C	C	C
Rain ...	0.00	0.00	0.08

Highest open-air Temperature, 10: 85; Lowest open-air Temperature, 17: 79

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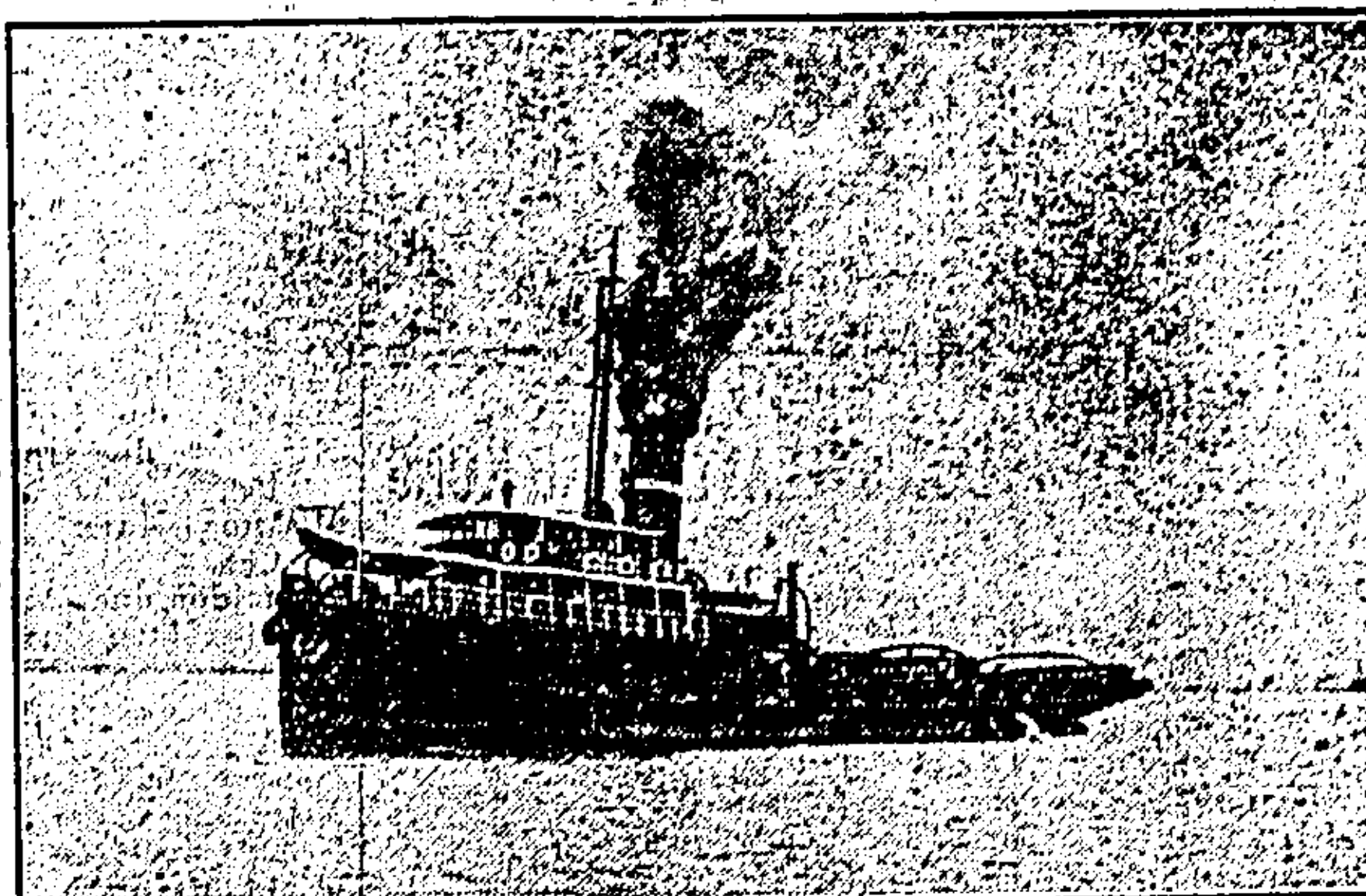
High Water. Low Water.

Day of Week	Date	Time	Height	Time	Height
Wed.	18	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
Thurs.	19	9 40	5 4	3 04	1 5
Fri.	20	9 59	5 8	3 18	2 9
Sat.	21	10 23	6 1	4 30	3 0
Sun.	22	10 49	6 4	4 57	3 4
Mon.	23	11 19	6 7	5 23	4 0
Tues.	24	11 54	6 9	5 47	4 4

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OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"NAMSANG" ... Sun. 22nd Sept. at 7 a.m. "YUNRSANG" ... Tues. 1st Oct. at 10 a.m. "SUISANG" ... Tues. 15th Oct. at 10 a.m. "KUMSANG" ... Fri. 25th Oct. at 7 a.m.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"HOSANG" ... Thurs. 26th Sept. at 3 p.m. "KUTSANG" ... Fri. 4th Oct. at 3 p.m.	
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG" ... Mon. 30th Sept. at Noon "MAUSANG" ... Thurs. 10th Oct. at 10 a.m.	
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EMPEROR OF CANADA	Oct. 13	Nov. 3	Nov. 5	Nov. 7	Nov. 18
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Nov. 13	Nov. 16	Nov. 19	Nov. 21	Nov. 30
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Nov. 27	Nov. 30	Dec. 3	Dec. 5	Dec. 14
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Dec. 14	Dec. 21	Dec. 24	Dec. 26	Jan. 4
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Jan. 15	Jan. 18	Jan. 21	Jan. 23	Jan. 31
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Feb. 12	Feb. 15	Feb. 18	Feb. 20	Mar. 1
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Mar. 5	Mar. 8	Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 23
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Mar. 19	Mar. 22	Mar. 25	Mar. 27	Apr. 4
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Apr. 12	Apr. 15	Apr. 18	Apr. 20	Apr. 28
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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront News, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 8,000 TONS; THROUGH CARGO 23,700 TONS.

Cargo returns shown at the Harbour Office during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday by vessels arriving in Hong Kong were as follows:—

CARGO FROM HONG KONG

CARGO THROUGH PORTS

BRITISH:—

Hydrangea, Swatow 40

Mizapore, Karachi 300

Anking, Amoy 500

Empress of France, Vancouver 680

Huichow, Canton 10

Liangchow, Canton 580

Ninghai, Shanghai 500

Philippines, Ram 30

AMERICAN:—

Golden Hind, Los Angeles 500

FRENCH:—

Canton, Haiphong 1,250

GERMAN:—

Alster, Tsingtao 7,600

Portuguese:—

Wing Lee, K.C. Wan 300

CHINESE:—

Yuen Lee, Saigon 1,750

TAK HING, Macao 45

6,005 23,700

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

Arrivals. Dept.

British 9 7

American 1 2

French 1 1

German 1 1

Portuguese 1 0

Chinese 5 3

Norwegian 0 3

Japanese 0 3

18 20

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Hydrangea (Br.), Swatow 84

Anking (Br.), Amoy, Swatow 1,080

Empress of France (Br.), Vancouver, Shanghai 423

Chengtu (Br.), Shanghai, Amoy 47

Canton (Fr.), Haiphong 14

Wing Lee (Port.), K.C. Wan 89

Lee Cheong (Chi.), Shanhai 96

Tak Hing (Chi.), Canton 70

1,583

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following ships were in port yesterday:—

WHARVES:—Kowloon: Mizapore, Gabeta, Empress of France, Holt's: Calchas, Socony (Laichikok): Golden Hind: Jardine: Matheson's: Hopsang: Osaka Sho.

Konsan Maru, for Canton.

Ningpo, for Canton.

Philippines, for Singapore.

Remo, for Singapore.

Shinyo Maru, for Shanghai.

Vogtland, for Takao.

Chekiang, for Swatow.

Chengtu, for Canton.

Empress of France, for Manila.

Garbata, for Singapore.

Haiching, for Swatow.

Hakata Maru, for Moji.

Hydrangea, for Swatow.

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SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. Empress of France, Capt. S. Robinson, C.R.E., R.N.R., is due here (from Manila) at 9 a.m. on September 22 and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf. She will leave for Vancouver at 6 a.m. on Wednesday, September 23.

The Ben Line s.s. Benroch, from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Straits and Manila, is due to arrive here on September 23.

The N.D.L. s.s. Coblenz left Shanghai yesterday, and is expected to arrive here on September 23. She will sail for Europe via Manila, the same day.

The President Highway will sail from Hong Kong on October 1 instead of October 2, as previously advertised.

The m.v. Burgeland (H.A.L.) left Shanghai yesterday and is due here on the 21st.

The following warships were in harbour yesterday:—

Basin:—Tamar, Serapis, Seraph.

North Arm:—Sandwich, Stormcloud.

No. 7 Buoy:—Cornflower.

Foreign:—Men of War.—French gunboat Argus, U.S. gunboats Guam and Mindanao.

WARSHIPS IN HONG KONG.

ARRIVALS.

September 16.

Yuan Lee, Chinese str., 1,681 tons, Capt. A. Krinkle, from Swatow, buoy No. 338.—Yuen Seng Fat.

September 17.

Tilawa, British str., 10,000 tons, Capt. H. W. Tallent, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. & Co.

Remo, Italian str., 6,013 tons, Capt. Camelli, from Shanghai, buoy No. 43.—Doddell & Co.

Philippines, British str., 7,187 tons, Capt. J. Ramsay, from Shanghai, buoy No. 44.—B. & S.

Ningpo, British str., 1,228 tons, Capt. John Taylor, from Swatow, buoy No. 43.—B. & S.

Ninghai, British str., 1,482 tons, Capt. W. Peppow, from Swatow, Quarry Bay.—B. & S.

New Mathilde, British str., 842 tons, Capt. R. A. Prichard, from Pakhoi, buoy No. C39.—Yick Tai S.S. Co.

Vogtland, German str., 7,103 tons, Capt. H. Christiansen, from Hamburg, Kowloon Wharf.—Johsen & Co.

Liangchow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. A. Bathurst, from Canton, buoy No. C17.—B. & S.

Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Capt. P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Huichow, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. E. M. Collie, from Canton, buoy No. C37.—B. & S.

Hakata Maru, Japanese str., 3,752 tons, Capt. N. Wada, from Singapore, buoy No. A24.—N.Y.K. Line.

Chengtu, British str., 1,333 tons, Capt. J. D. Whyte, from Amoy, buoy No. C44.—B. & S.

Anhui, British str., 2,080 tons, Capt. G. H. Pennefather, from Amoy, buoy No. B11.—B. & S.

Tjibadak, Dutch str., 4,801 tons, Capt. P. Lems, from Amoy, buoy No. A8.—J.O.J.L.

CLEARANCES.

September 17.

Chekiang, for Swatow.

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PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following passengers arrived yesterday by the R.M.S. Empress of France:—Mrs. G. E. S. Bostock, Mr. G. M. Hemsworth, Mr. R. McN. Henderson, Mr. W. N. Kennedy, Mr. A. Lovell, Mr. E. and Mrs. Lovig, Mr. Earl C. Moore, Mr. G. Owen, Miss A. Wordie, Mr. M. T. and Mrs. Wright, Mr. V. J. Atkins, Mr. T. G. Bennett and Miss H. Bennett, Mr. A. H. Royd, Mr. S. H. Ross, Miss F. Henry, Lt. G. and Mrs. Ordway, Master A. Ordway, Miss Ordway, Mr. W. Newton Scott, Miss Ah Kau, Miss Ah Pat, Mr. J. W. Barry, Mr. C. and Mrs. Brookfield, Mr. R. Burnell, Mr. Allan Cameron, Mr. T. S. Chao, Lady Chatter, Mr. Chan Chiu Wan, Mr. F. A. Chen, Mr. C. F. Chen, Mr. H. S. and Mrs. Chen, Mr. K. S. Chen, Mr. Y. K. and Mrs. Chen, Mr. A. T. Chen, Mr. Chen, Miss A. Chen, Mr. Chen Sew Cheun, Master H. Lidnz, Mr. W. Chen, Mr. Y. T. Chen, Mr. L. S. Chen, Miss Chiu, Mrs. T. T. Chow, Mrs. E. Christie, Mr. J. J. Connell, Mr. G. F. Costa, Mr. J. A. Foster, Mr. R. R. Gaan, Mr. R. Grimshaw, Mr. C. O. Gubbay, Mr. S. H. Hee, Mr. S. W. Hee, Mr. R. J. and Mrs. Hillier, Mr. J. R. Johnstone, Mr. H. H. Lau, Mr. C. S. and Mrs. Lee, Mr. O. Lee, Mr. Lee Ping Chui, Mr. and Mrs. Lee, Mr. D. M. Lee, Mr. C. L. Liu, Mr. D. M. Lee, Mr. Lo Shun Wan, Mr. Lou Tai San, Mr. P. McKenna, Mr. W. M. Meertens, Mr. K. E. Mei, Mr. H. W. Moon, Mr. H. C. Ng, Mr. W. H. Peters, Mr. R. F. Pirard, Mr. M. C. Poissonnier, Mr. J. O. Sheppard, Mr. Shao Wan Tag, Mr. H. G. and Mrs. Shum, Mr. Wong Rah Uen, Mr. So Hon An, Miss J. Stodart, Mrs. C. Chang Suey, Mr. H. Tai, Mr. A. Fong, Mr. T. and Mrs. Tai, Mr. K. T. and Mrs. Tsang, Mr. A. and Mrs. Mr. F. Wong, Mr. Ching and Mrs. Wong, Mr. W. T. K. and Mrs. Yang Yee Chow, Mr. H. H. Yau, Mr. I. L. Yung, Mr. K. Z. Zau, Mr. W. Wong, Mr. M. and Mrs. L. Brown, Mr. W. C. Carroll, Miss L. Hegarty, Mr. J. H. and Mrs. K. Johnston, Mr. A. and Mrs. Kehr, Master L. Kehr, Master Ruth Kehr, Miss M. V. D. Paton, Miss L. Scarlett, Mr. Young Sheung, Mr. J. G. Shillington, Miss E. D. Willis, Mrs. S. Willis, Mr. W. D. Edward, Mr. A. Feuerabend, Dr. A. I. Hamilton, Mr. David and Mrs. Ling, Mr. Y. C. King, Mr. L. S. King, Mr. T. M. Laph.

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